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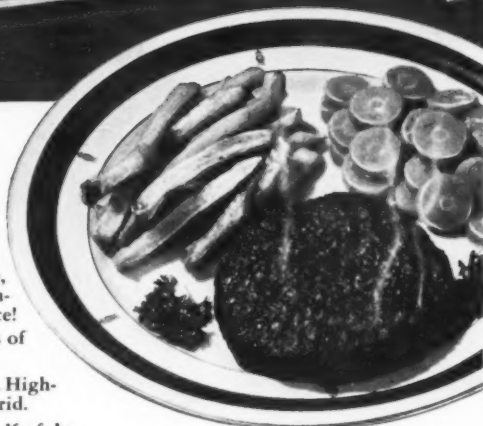
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## Reader Opinion

### Why Not Include Nurses?

Sirs:

Something is missing in the picture "The Eyes of Texas Are on Nursing" in the July issue of *The MODERN HOSPITAL*.

The problems involved in giving adequate nursing care to patients are

certainly of vital importance to hospital administrators everywhere. The fact that a group of them gets together and "does something about them" is admirable. I wonder if any of these men ever actually gave a day of nursing care or even observed the details of such care. Nursing is only one of an

administrator's many problems but the director of nursing service lives with it every day. Why not include at least one of your nursing leaders (and Texas has many of them) in any conference which has to do with training nursing personnel and looking for solutions to the many nursing problems?

If hospital administrators and nursing service directors got together more often and discussed mutual problems, each would profit from the rich experience of the other and it is possible that workable solutions might be found to many more of the difficult situations with which hospitals are faced.

Furthermore, since the nursing director must necessarily implement any plans which are made for her department, would it not make for better interpersonnel relations if she participated in making those plans?

Mary V. Cheek  
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### Tax Exemption

Sirs:

The article, "Hospital Loses Tax Exemption," in the August issue of *The MODERN HOSPITAL* should prove of extreme interest to all tax exempt hospitals in every state, as well as to those in California where the supreme court handed down its verdict.

It seems to me the important point in this decision is the part of the statement made by the court, "it is not necessarily whether there is or may be a profit but whether the claimant (hospital) is operated or conducted for the purpose of making a profit; that is, whether the charges are fixed with the intention of yielding a surplus over and above operating expenses."

It has always been my contention that a hospital incorporated not-for-profit has no moral right to use the income derived from patients for any purpose other than the cost of operating the hospital—the cost of the product the hospital is selling, namely, service. The cost of a hospital plant, i.e. the physical facilities, should be wholly provided by the generosity of the entire community. The burden of financing hospital care is sufficiently

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There are a number of executives who have opposed my thinking on this whole subject. Maybe they are right

and I am wrong. In all the discussions I have participated in, I have yet to hear one logical reason given to support their views.

Now we have a decision of the supreme court of the state of California that coincides with my contention of long standing.

In view of the uncontrollable and natural causes that have skyrocketed the operating cost of hospitals and made it necessary for them to increase all service charges the increased feeling of the general public regarding present charges, and the desire of hospitals in

general to maintain the friendliest possible hospital-public relationship, it would appear timely for the American Hospital Association to issue a statement of policy to its membership clearly defining what constitutes the operation of a nonprofit hospital.

Those of us who have been associated with administration of hospitals for a number of years can see the "handwriting on the wall" as regards the courts becoming less and less liberal in decisions concerning nonprofit hospitals. Supreme courts in many states have ruled against defendant hospitals in matters of malpractice and patient and public liability—a reversal of the one-time belief that a judgment should not be rendered against a nonprofit hospital because the satisfaction of such a judgment would be using hospital funds contrary to the purpose for which the hospital operated, thus frittering away funds that should be used for other purposes. We have observed real estate taxes assessed and collected on hospital property that was not being used for hospital purposes, although all the income from such property was used to support the operation of the hospital, even though the hospital had, since acquisition of the property, enjoyed it tax free. Now we have the ruling of the supreme court of the state of California that the hospital itself must pay taxes.

It would be foolish indeed to ask if such a ruling will improve hospital-public relationship, a ruling that says "... plaintiff [hospital] functioned on a sound financial basis in a manner akin to any modern commercial enterprise intent upon producing a profit from its operation." If the statement had merely said that the hospital operated on a sound financial basis there would be little reason for criticism, but it went further to recite amounts and percentage of earnings to compare with commercial ventures.

I regret that I must disagree with the views expressed by my good friend E. E. Salisbury. I would not accept a defensive stand in the matter. In spite of what it may mean, I believe the court rendered a fair decision.

It should result in a lesson to all of us to make some adjustment in our practices and train our sights to conditions under which we will eventually have to operate.

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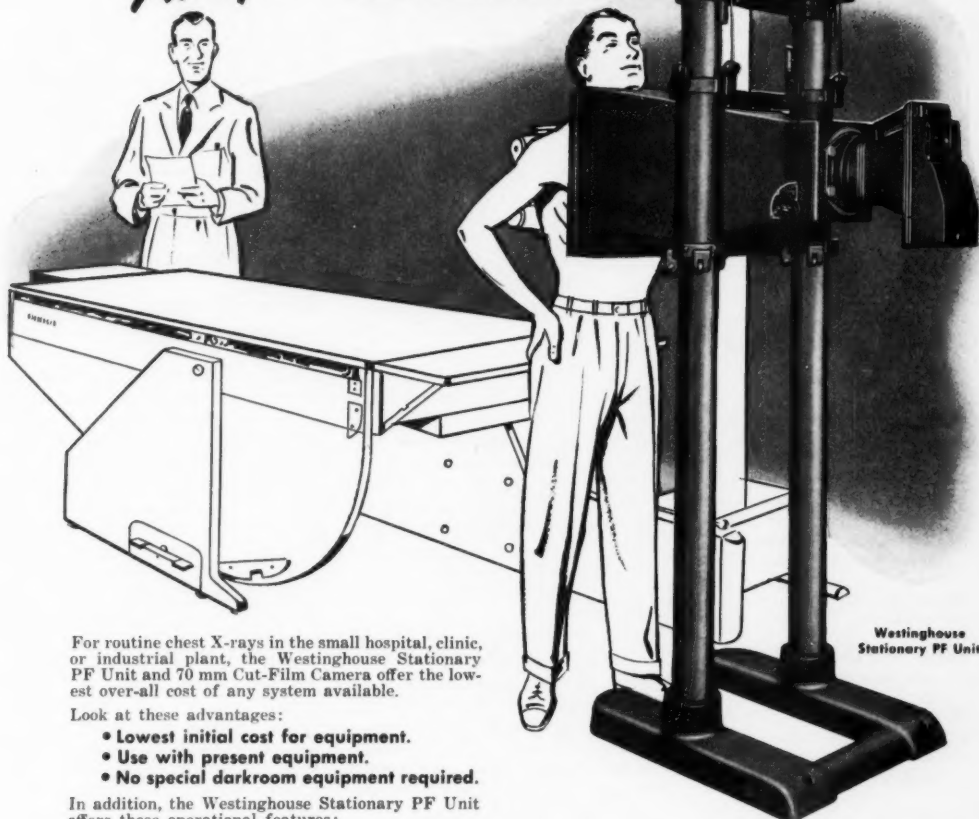
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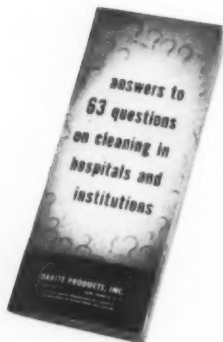
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hanging stretchers disappear into the roof.

One adaptation of the new type of ambulance is the premature transport ambulance, a part of a program operated jointly by the department of hospitals and the health department. Designed to maintain controlled temperatures, the ambulance consists of a two-compartment stainless steel incubator with a thermostatic heating system.

## Collector's Item

A species of the genus Post Card Collector is the collector of hospital post cards. Members of this species are hardy fellows, not too esthetically inclined. A common type of hospital post card depicts a red brick rectangular box sitting on a vivid green lawn against a background of royal blue sky. In the foreground sometimes appear a bed of shocking pink geraniums and several high slung automobiles nudging a retouched and unblemished gray curbing.

Subtlety, thou art a jewel! A jewel of a hospital post card is one that patients can send from Lakeside Memorial Hospital, Brockport, N.Y., where May H. Epke is administrator. It's an attractive new one-story hospital and the architect's pencil sketch of the building has been printed on an oyster white, matt finish card. The sketch is charming in its restraint except that a little artistic license has been taken with the landscaping, for the trees are of taller grace and the shrubs of sweeter contours than





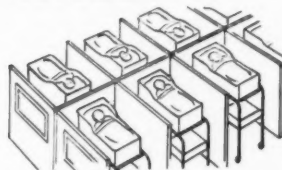
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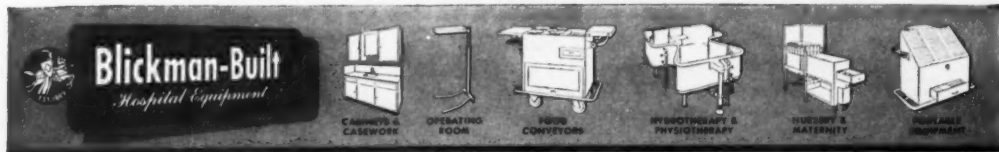
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### Mane of Horse, Hair of Hog

There are no statistics on how many hospitals make their own mattresses. In fact it was news to your Roving Reporter that any hospital undertakes such a project. However, Hartford Hospital, Hartford, Conn., is full of surprises.

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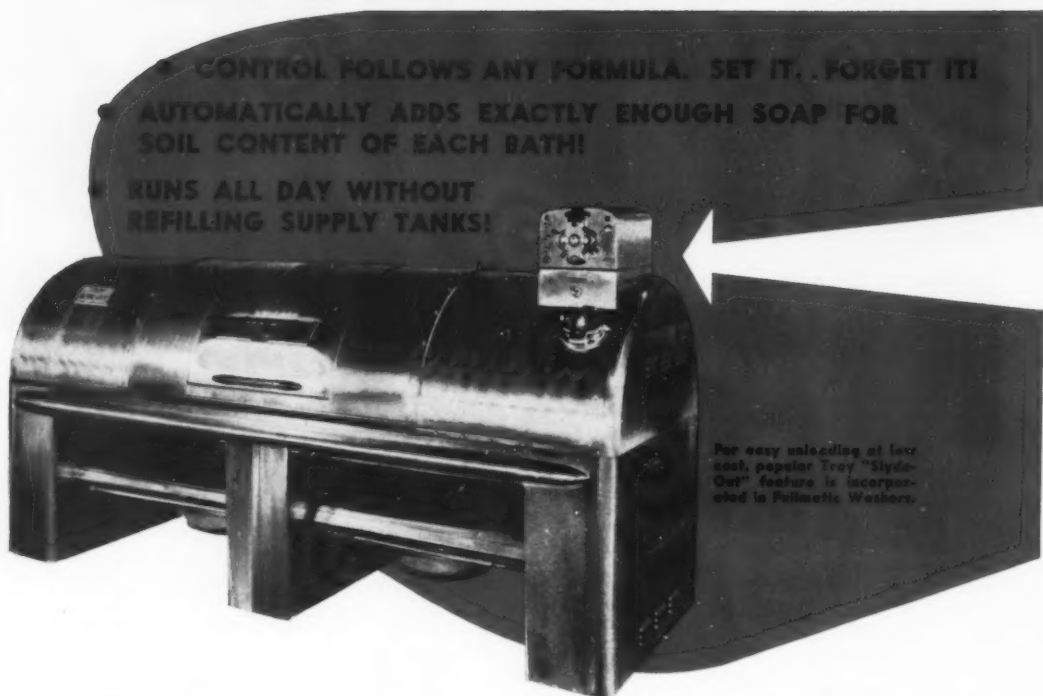


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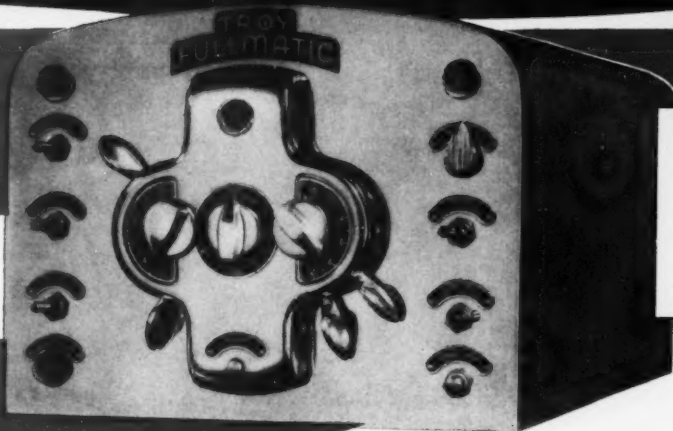


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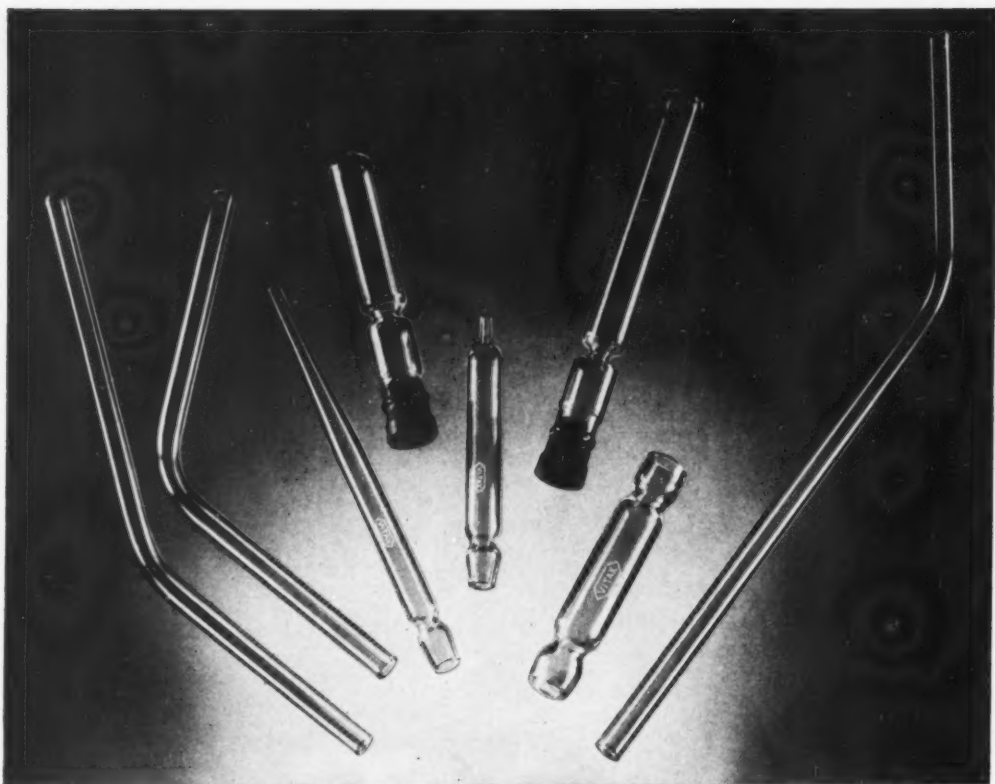
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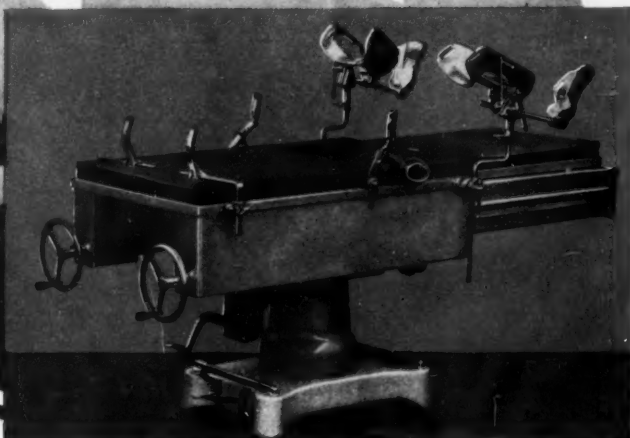
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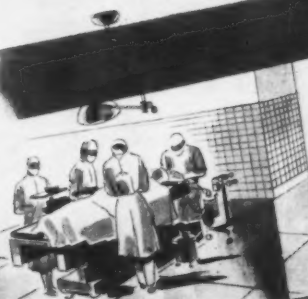
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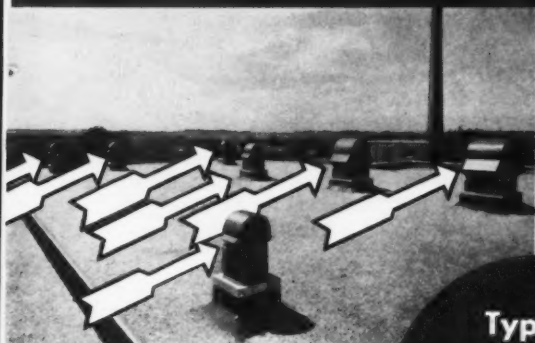
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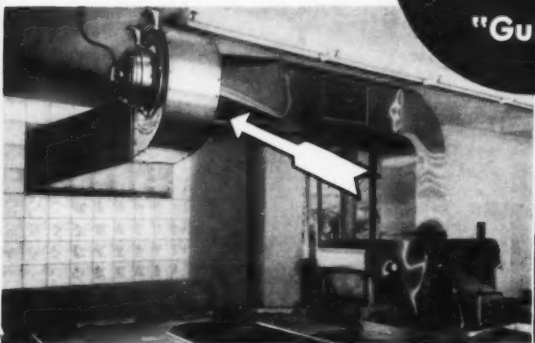


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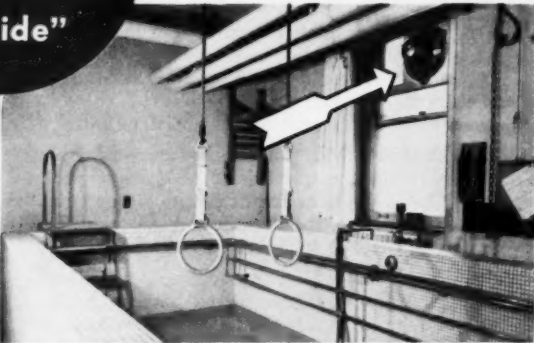


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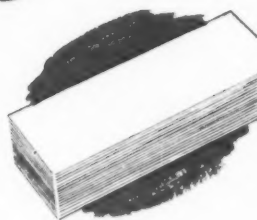
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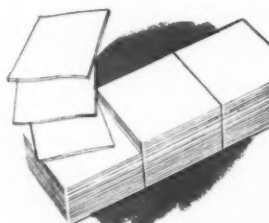
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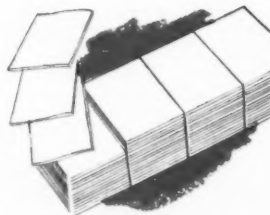
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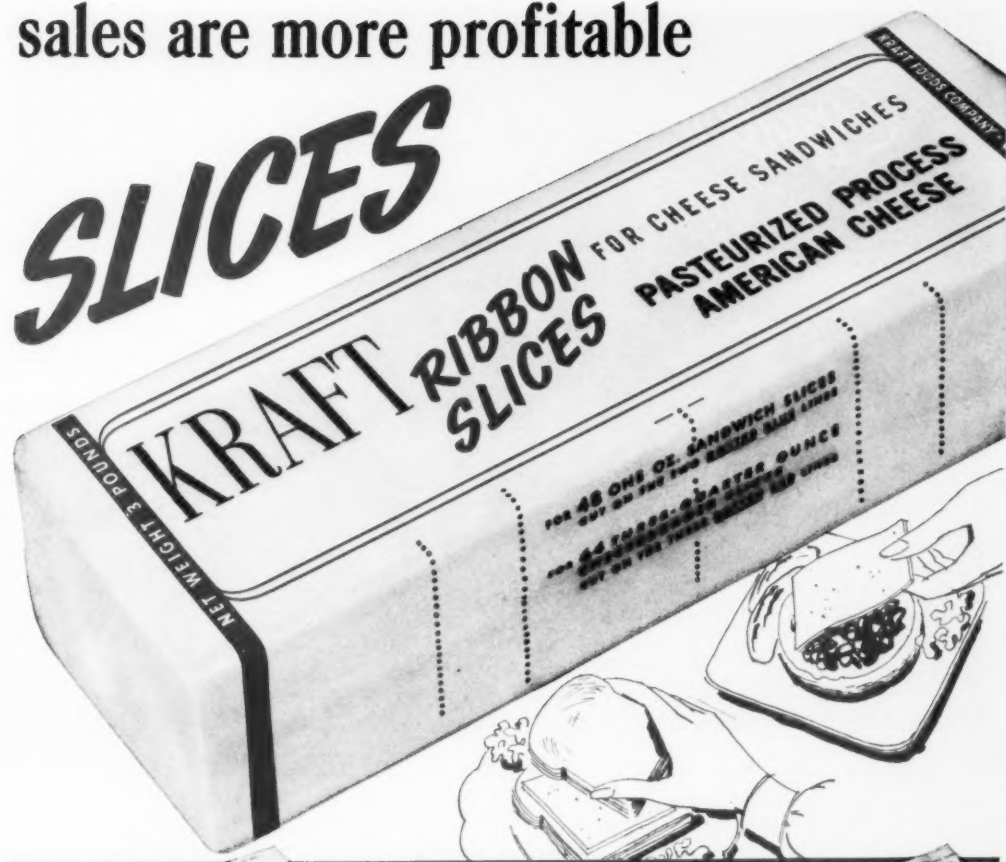


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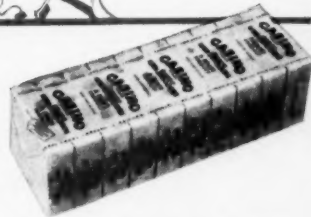
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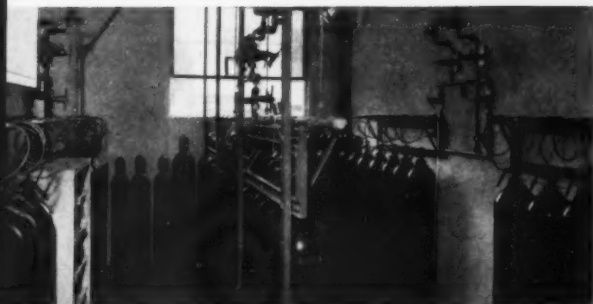


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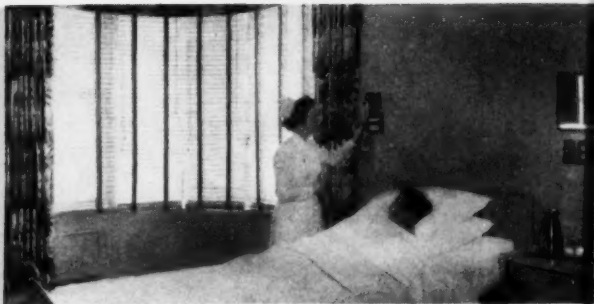
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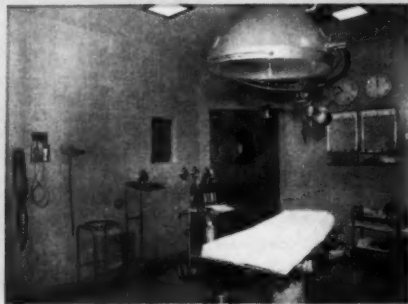
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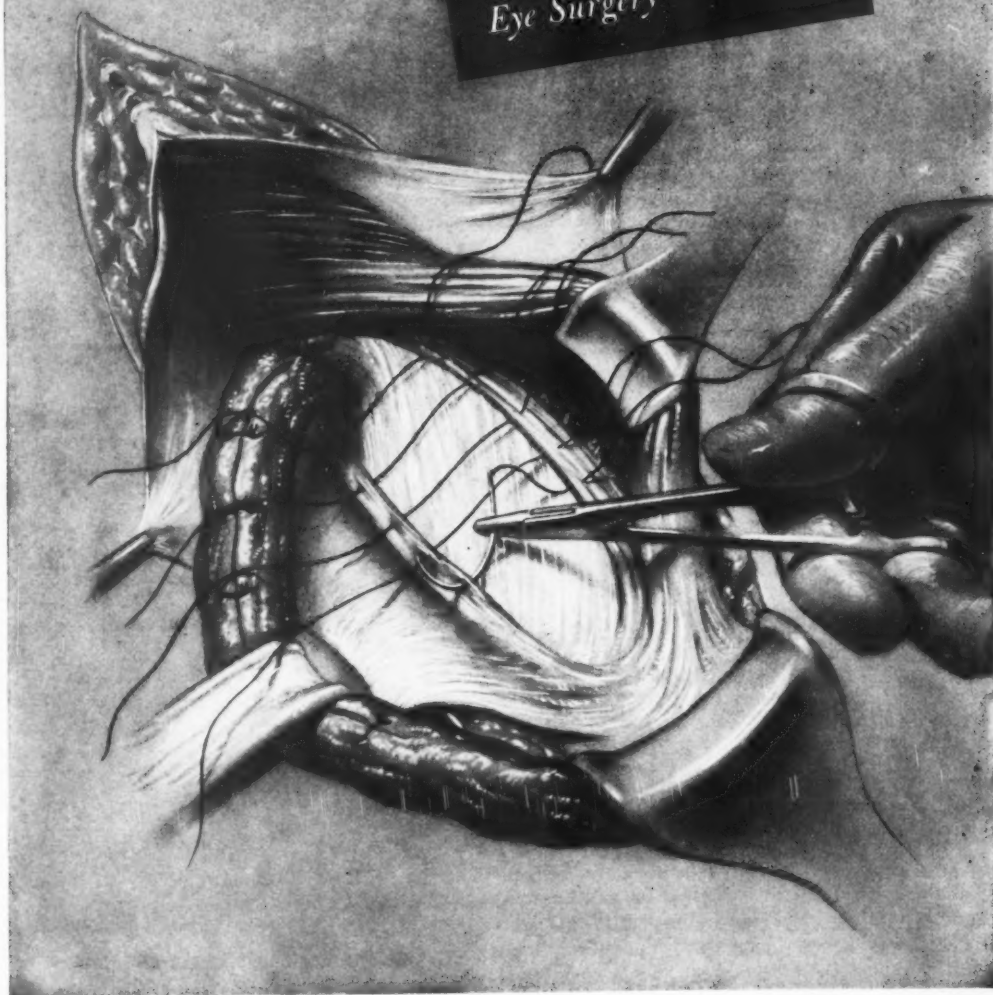
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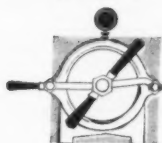
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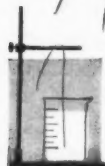
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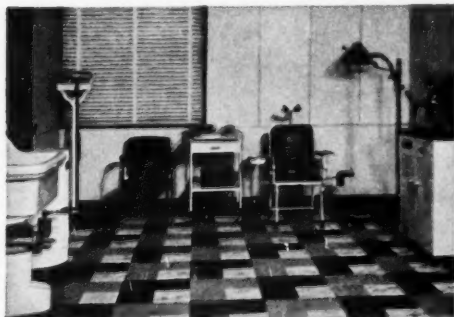
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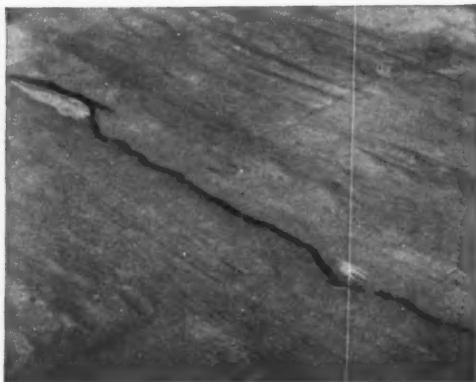
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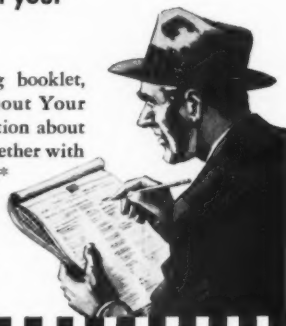
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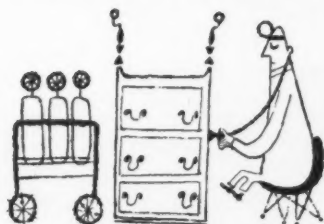
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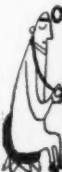
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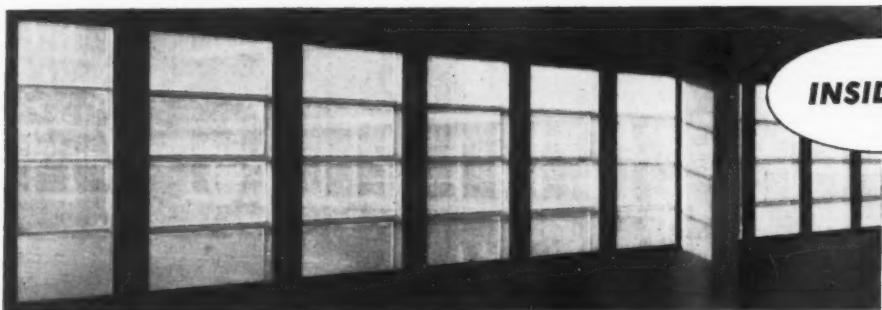
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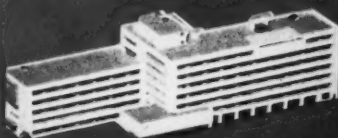
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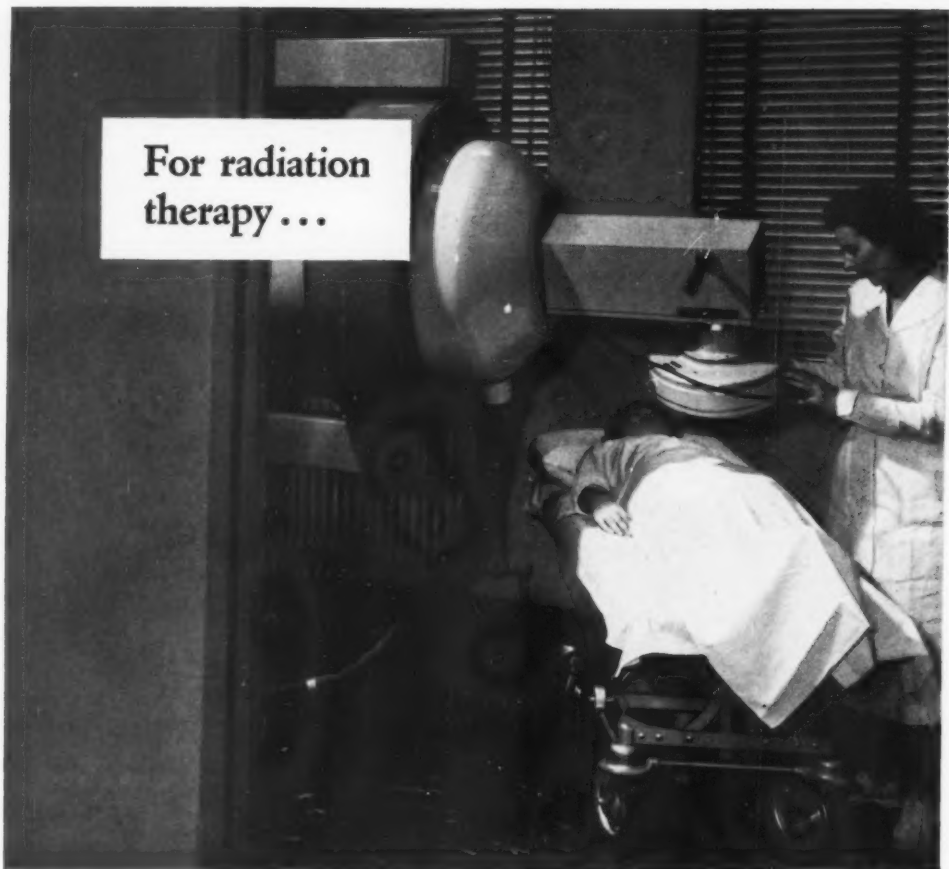
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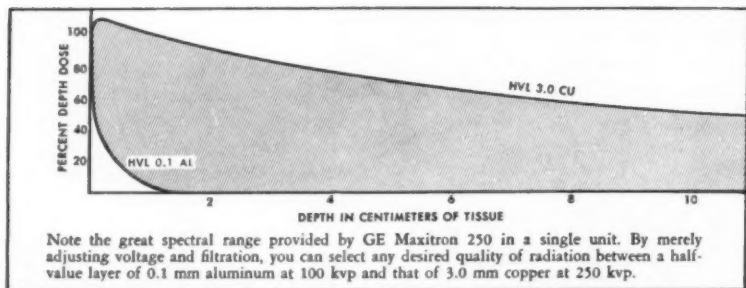
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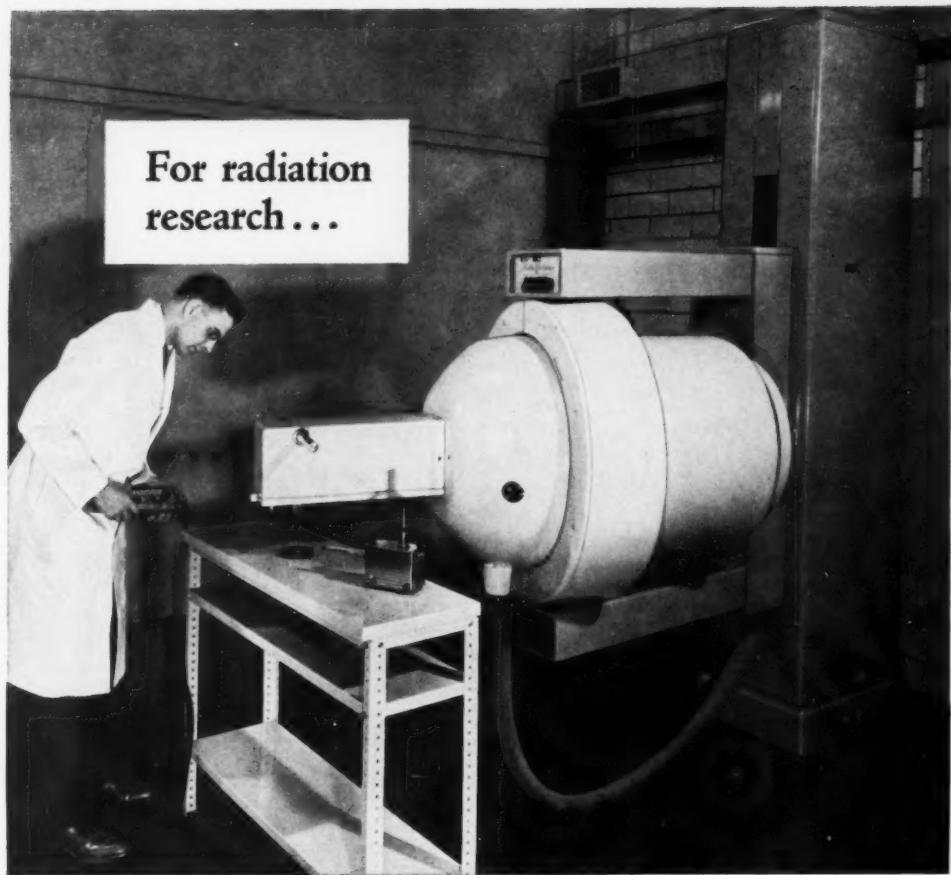


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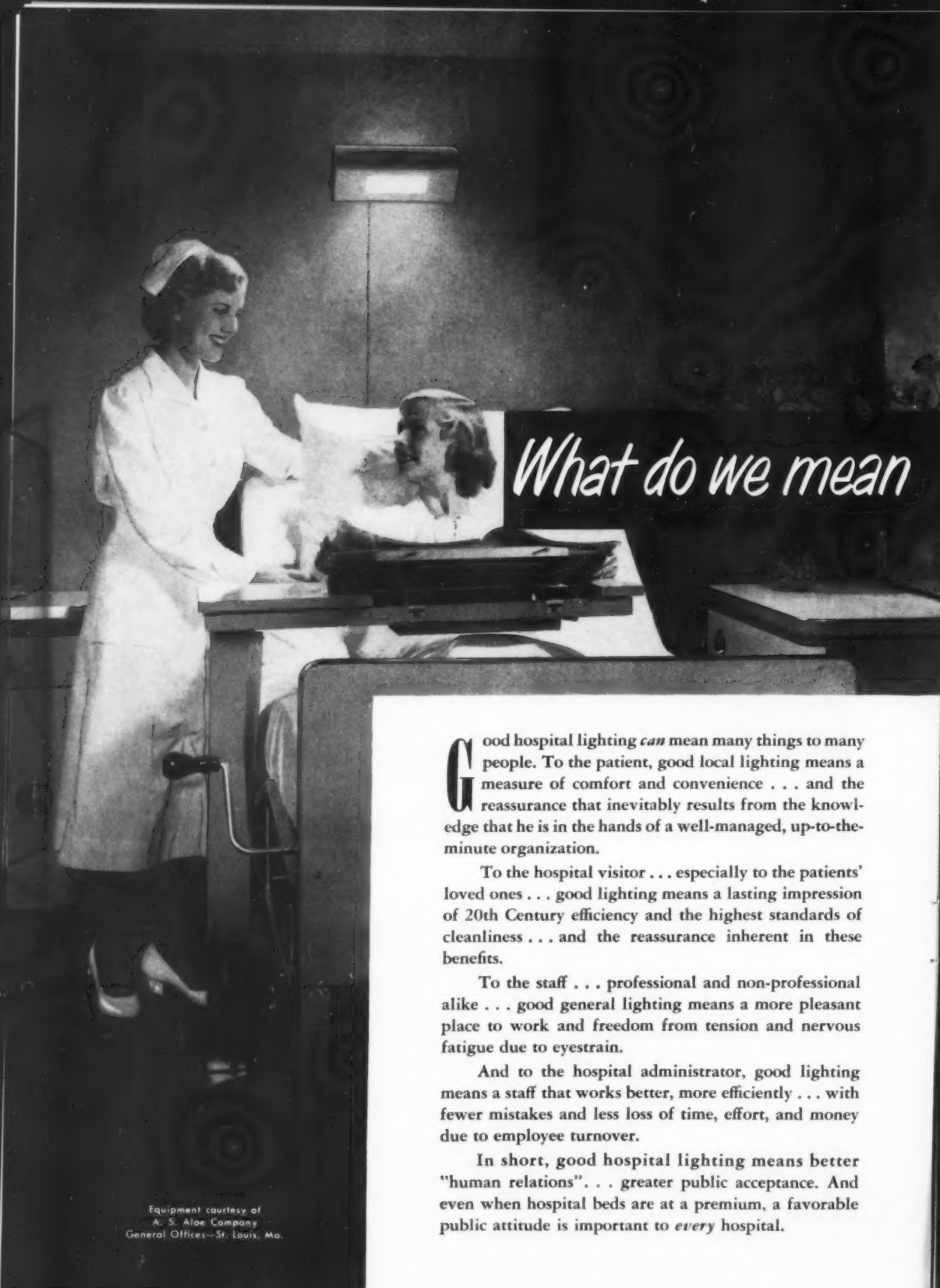
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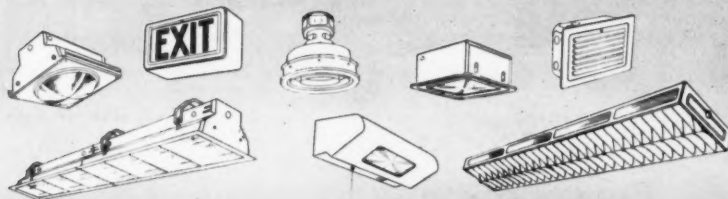
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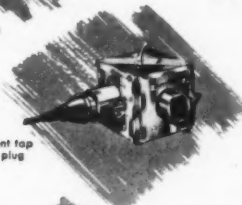
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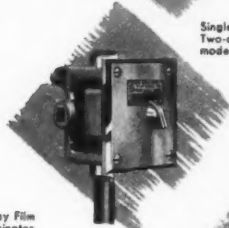
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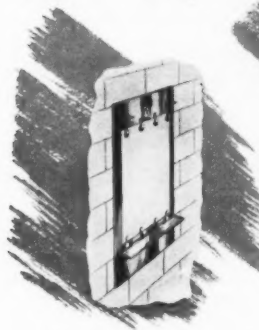
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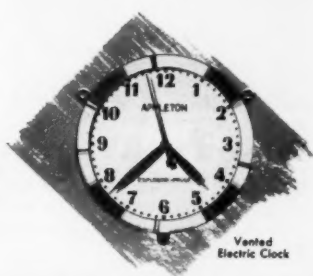
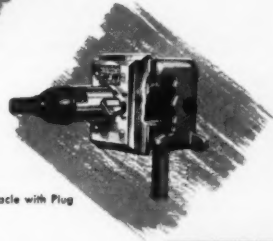
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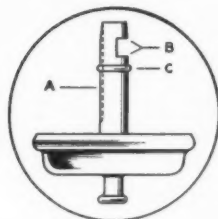
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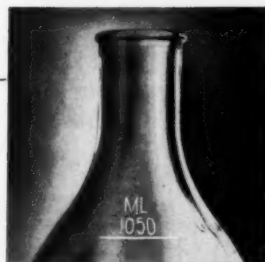
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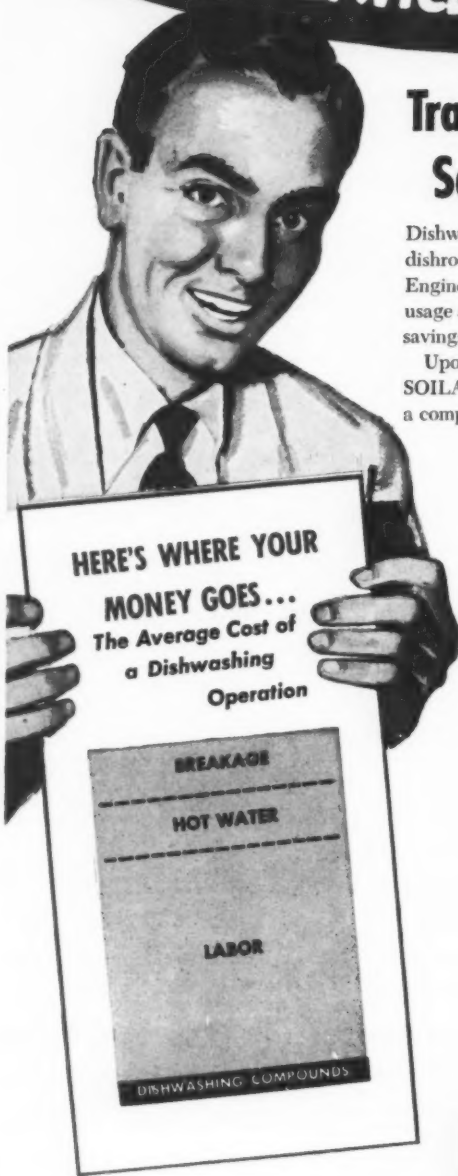
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## Contaminated Linens

**Question:** We have been advised that it is not necessary for us to provide a special washer for contaminated linens in our laundry, but that contaminated linens can be safely run through the laundry with ordinary washing. If this is so, a substantial saving could be effected. What is your opinion?—F.W., Ill.

**ANSWER:** In modern practice, proper use of water and detergents at the optimum will provide adequate sterilization of contaminated linens. Most authorities today agree that it is not necessary to provide separate equipment in the hospital laundry for processing contaminated material. Nevertheless, good linen sorting and laundry technic requires that contaminated linens be separately handled. The method in common use for handling contaminated linens is the "bag" method. Contaminated linens are placed in a colored bag, frequently dark blue, and are then handled with extreme caution to prevent any possibility of the spread of infection. Frequently these linens are inserted in the washer and washed in the bag as a further precautionary measure. Whatever the specific method used, however, it is important for contaminated linens to be handled separately, from disposal through the washing process.

## Nurse Salary Ratio

**Question:** What is a proper and reasonable ratio between the salary of the professional nurse and that of the practical nurse working in the hospital?—C.M., Ohio

**ANSWER:** Surveys indicate the prevailing ratio of professional to practical nurses' salaries is four to three. In some areas, of course, the laws of supply and demand in both classifications may require variations from this standard on either side. However, experience would indicate that both groups are satisfied when rates are established at about these levels.

## Bonus for Night Work

**Question:** Do hospitals commonly pay a bonus to nurses and other employees working at night and on week-end and holiday shifts?—P.C., Pa.

**ANSWER:** Frequently. In the case of nurses, especially, it is common

practice to advance the salary somewhat (usually in the neighborhood of 5 to 7½ per cent) for those on regular night duty. In most institutions, week-end and holiday duty is on a rotation basis, making the payment of salary increments for these shifts unnecessary. Payment of higher salaries for ward attendants, orderlies, maids and other employees on night duty is less well established but may be necessary on occasion to offset the disinclination of many employees to accept these assignments.

## Purchasing Authority

**Question:** Should the administrator of a small hospital attempt to do all the purchasing, or should he delegate this authority to department heads? If he must perform this function himself, how can the administrator control the amount of time spent with sales representatives of various companies in such a way as to enable him to accomplish all his other duties with as little loss of time as possible?—J.E., Fla.

**ANSWER:** Good purchasing practice requires that purchasing control be centralized in a single office, not dispersed throughout the hospital, with various departmental executives given final authority for purchasing supplies for their own departmental operations. When the hospital and the volume of purchases are not large enough to justify the employment of a full-time purchasing officer, this function may be successfully combined with some other responsibility. In some hospitals, for example, a single executive is responsible for purchasing and personnel; purchasing may also be combined with pharmacy operation, business of-

fice management and other executive functions. Frequently, however, the administrator must himself assume the duties of purchasing agent. When this is the case, certain times may be set aside each week or each month for interviewing sales representatives, so that the administrator will not be interrupted constantly in the performance of his many other executive duties.

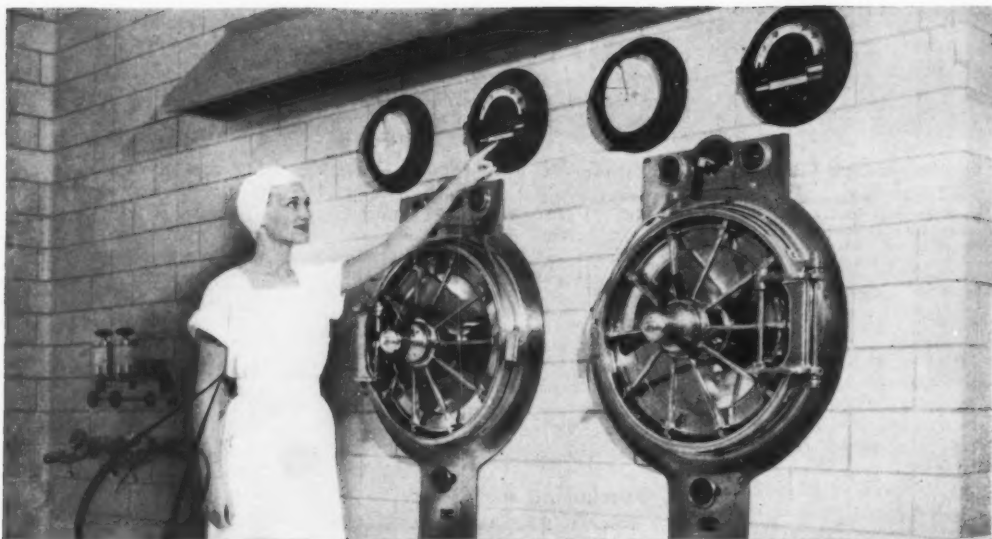
Unless this scheduling of the administrator's time is done carefully, it may work a hardship on representatives with large territories and many hospital calls to make. If all supplying manufacturers and dealers are notified in a friendly letter explaining the hospital's problem and requesting that sales calls be made only at the stated hours, misunderstandings and interruptions can be avoided for the most part. Another measure that may save time and make purchasing practice more effective is the delegation of responsibility for interviewing sales representatives to certain stated departmental executives, again at scheduled hours. The department heads may then review problems and products with the salesmen and make recommendations to the administrator or other purchasing authority for final action.

## "Surgical Fund"

**Question:** Our hospital has a rule that doctors do not collect fees for service to staff patients. Occasionally, however, doctors' fees are collected in accident cases. Also, we are paid a stipend by the government for the initial examination of staff prenatal cases. These fees are all deposited in what we call our "surgical fund." Your advice would be appreciated as to the different methods of spending such a fund and its management and control.—B.D.T., Kan.

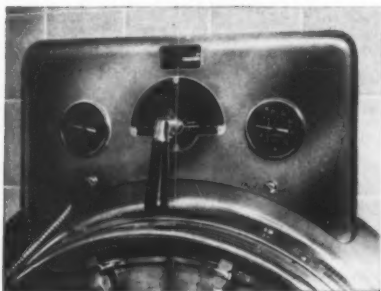
**ANSWER:** It would seem that a fund of the type described here could most appropriately be administered by a special committee of the medical staff, in cooperation with the administrator of the hospital. Such a committee would consider various patient needs, research projects, medical library requirements and other small needs that might suitably be met from a small fund administered by the medical staff.

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## wire from **Washington**

### SUPPLY OUTLOOK BRIGHTENS

It can be said, without shouting the good news, that for the foreseeable future at least the pressure is off on hospital supplies. Government officials who have struggled with the metals shortage for two years now state flatly: "There is no reason for pessimism."

The picture is easing up in the equipment and maintenance fields, as well as in construction. On a few items—beds are one example—there will still be long waits for delivery in many cases, but the problems definitely are not serious.

In one particular field, antibiotics, even the long-range prospect is rosy. This largely can be attributed to action of Defense Production Administration in granting tax relief to four large producers who are planning plant expansion to total more than \$15,000,000. Ultimate value of the new equipment, taking into account facilities on which rapid tax amortization has not been allowed, may come to \$20,000,000.

Three of the companies will be allowed to write off 50 per cent of the new costs in five years. They are Bristol Laboratories, Inc., East Syracuse, N.Y. (\$4,928,785), Charles Pfizer & Co., Long Island (\$1,850,000), and Merck & Co., Inc., Danville, Pa. (\$1,292,000). An even larger expansion by American Cyanide Co., of Pearl River, N.Y. (\$5,280,000), may be written off up to 45 per cent in five years.

The tax relief was granted partly at the urging of other governmental agencies, which were anxious to see more output to allow for civil defense stockpiling of antibiotics. For a time, it is anticipated, there will be no particular market reaction. Eventually, however, private and other purchasers will benefit from the greater production. This will occur because the civil defense medical warehouses, once they are filled, will rotate their perishable supplies back into the civilian market well before the deterioration date approaches.

Defense Production Administration also acted to bolster the future production of medical, optical and surgical instruments when it authorized National Electric Co. of Elmhurst, N.Y., to write off 55 per cent of a \$245,800 expansion program within the five years.

### NO CONSTRUCTION WORRIES IN SIGHT

Barring another national emergency, officials of the Division of Civilian Health Requirements, Public Health Service, are confident construction supplies will be adequate well into next year. For one thing, the national economy has shown an unexpected resilience in the face of the steel strike. For another, many of the five-year building programs for state and federal hospitals, started in 1946 and 1947, now are drawing to a close, lessening the drain on material set aside for health purposes.

From a purely short-range, technical standpoint, another factor works to the advantage of the hospital construction industry. The third quarter of this year was the biggest, from a construction standpoint, of any since the controls program was imposed. When the steel strike left all schedules up in the air, hospitals and clinics were allowed to plan on getting for the fourth quarter 80 per cent of the amounts of scarce metals used in the record third. For the first quarter of 1953, they will be allowed at least 70 per cent of the amount available in the third quarter. With construction slackening off, this means that the industry is in a fortunate position.

Obviously, Defense Production Administration will have to take cognizance of this situation, which adds up to a form of official and lawful misrepresentation. But by then it is expected that even a realistic across-the-boards rationing will still deliver up all the steel, copper and aluminum needed to expand and maintain the country's hospitals.

### CENSUS BUREAU PLANS SURVEY

Still another survey of hospitals is in the making. Officials of U.S. Bureau of the Census already have met with representatives of a dozen national organizations to decide (a) whether the study should be undertaken as part of the 1953 survey of business, (b) the information desired, and (c) format of the questionnaire. At this writing, officials of the bureau are reasonably confident that the health associations consulted will urge that the survey be undertaken.

Thinking now is that one of the fields to be studied will be the old familiar one of sources of income for hospitals, and potential sources. Particularly the study would attempt to determine with some degree of accuracy what percentages of patients pay their hospital bills, how much of the money is raised by insurance benefits, how much by loans, and the financial relationships between welfare agencies and hospitals.

The plan also is to include essential questions to develop statistical information on all types of purchases made by hospitals. On these two points the survey would be covering and reviewing fields well worked in previous years by other surveys.

A third possible field of investigation concerns fringe organizations and facilities, such as nursing and convalescent homes, which do not qualify as hospitals and cannot be or are not licensed. Here the field will be greener.

### HILL-BURTON

For the first time since start of the Hill-Burton hospital construction program, the state percentage formula is to be revised to bring it back into line with changes in populations, per capita incomes and hospital needs.

Since 1949 the same tables have been used to determine what portion of a state's total hospital construction costs would be supplied by the federal government. The new schedule will take effect next July 1 and continue at least through June of 1955.

The program has \$75,000,000 for commitments to the states during the current fiscal year, \$7,500,000 less than last year. The new percentage schedule can't set a dollar value on each state's share, because the actual money will depend on congressional appropriations next year and in 1954. (First column current rate, second column rate set for 1953-55.)

Alabama	70.16	70.58	Nebraska	50.22	50.77
Alaska	50.00	50.00	Nevada	35.00	36.00
Arizona	58.00	58.03	New Hampshire	55.12	24.50
Arkansas	70.26	70.76	New Jersey	41.86	40.62
California	36.09	39.13	New Mexico	62.92	59.66
Colorado	44.84	50.29	New York	34.72	35.46
Connecticut	39.34	38.19	North Carolina	67.62	67.11
Delaware	39.96	34.99	N. Dakota	46.18	55.54
D.C.	35.72	33.54	Ohio	45.51	44.76
Florida	58.64	58.68	Oklahoma	61.84	61.73
Georgia	64.74	64.25	Oregon	43.58	47.60
Hawaii	50.00	50.00	Pennsylvania	47.37	47.39
Idaho	52.54	55.80	Puerto Rico	75.00	75.00
Illinois	39.33	38.87	Rhode Island	47.50	46.39
Indiana	50.85	49.17	South Carolina	70.10	69.73
Iowa	50.68	51.30	S. Dakota	49.13	54.17
Kansas	53.28	53.70	Tennessee	66.99	66.72
Kentucky	47.62	47.23	Texas	57.00	55.29
Louisiana	64.76	64.52	Utah	54.91	55.28
Maine	58.30	58.70	Vermont	58.62	58.31
Maryland	46.67	46.22	Virginia	40.71	59.90
Mass.	44.88	46.93	Virgin Islands	75.00	75.00
Michigan	45.71	45.43	Washington	46.30	44.23
Minnesota	52.98	53.30	W. Va.	41.44	62.88
Mississippi	74.28	75.00	Wisconsin	49.79	49.49
Missouri	52.58	51.62	Wyoming	45.00	45.73
Montana	41.86	46.06			

To the 49 bed hospital at Lebanon, Ore., goes the honor of being the one-thousandth hospital to be completed under the program. It cost \$652,510 (U.S. share \$193,667) and was dedicated early this month.

## LEGION SEEKS FUNDS FOR V.A.

American Legion's medical policy advisory board, under chairmanship of Dr. Leonard G. Rowntree, is making a valiant effort to get more money pledged to Veterans Administration. It is fearful that unless a deficiency appropriation is made available for use in the last three months of the current fiscal year, the V.A. medical care program will suffer crippling damage.

The board currently is attempting to get the budget bureau to approve a "realistic budget" for the next fiscal year. At the same time, it is preparing to ask Congress to come through with the deficiency budget.

Both the bureau and Congress are under fire from the board. Dr. Rowntree said that the board felt the two together were "gradually whittling away" at the V.A. medical program. He said the result is a gradual lowering of quality and a spreading sense of insecurity among V.A. personnel.

Last session Congress cut \$31,000,000 from the V.A. budget, after the budget bureau had finished with its boiling down operation. As a result V.A. already has announced it was cutting its average patient load from 102,000 to 99,200. It is also making plans to cut down on the number of home-town care patients to be handled in the months ahead.

## FEE-SPLITTING

Although the ethical picture hasn't changed for them, physicians engaged in fee-splitting have received some financial encouragement from the internal revenue bureau. B.I.R. has ruled that in some cases payments made by one physician to another for referral of cases may be deducted from taxable income—but "each case will be decided on its merits."

The ruling tells the split-fee doctors this much:

1. If it is to be deducted, the payment must be "normal, usual and customary in the profession and the community."
2. It must be "appropriate and helpful in obtaining business."
3. It may not be in violation of "sharply defined" national or federal policies as enunciated by a government declaration.

The ruling also reaffirms, in language not too clear, the doctor's right to deduct money paid for "professional assistance," presumably meaning nurses, technicians or other physicians employed on a permanent basis or to perform a specified service.

## HEALTH NEEDS COMMISSION

With its most controversial hearings over with, the President's Commission on the Health Needs of the Nation now is engaged in the staggering task of making sense—and recommendations—out of at least 10,000 pages of testimony. Part of it was collected at closed-door panel meetings in Washington, part at open hearings here, and the rest at the regional sessions held around the country.

The climax came early this month at open meetings in Washington, when proponents and opponents of national compulsory health insurance (Truman-Ewing plan) had their days as witnesses. Also discussed, of course, were the alternatives to national health insurance, the voluntary plans which the medical profession has been promoting.

The commission is expected to have all the material digested and facts and recommendations drawn up in form of a report for formal presentation to the White House by the end of this year.

## SELECTIVE SERVICE

By March, Selective Service System may be calling on a few Priority III men for active duty—men who were not educated by the government, not deferred for their studies during World War II, but who have not had previous military service. Once they start inducting men from this group, the military planners will be up to their chins in the hottest issue they have struggled with since World War II. The law says that as far as practical all Priority III men must be called before resorting to Priority IV, the veterans. But many Priority III men have had too much experience, and are too old, to fit in well as first lieutenants or naval lieutenants (J.G.). They rate major or colonel or commander positions. But the services, while generally short of doctors as such, aren't particularly short of medical brass. The military would much prefer to reach into Priority IV and pick off a few younger men who had limited service. Yet, under the law they can't do it. One idea receiving some consideration is to lump III and IV together, giving procurement officers a better choice of middle-aged and young men.

## TB TOTALS

For years it has been estimated there were about half a million tuberculosis cases in the United States at any one time. Now U.S. Public Health Service and the National Tuberculosis Association, citing an inventory of registered cases and weighted with information learned in x-ray surveys, report that the total is closer to 400,000. Undiscovered cases are said to approximate 110,000, and health departments list 250,000 active cases. An additional 40,000 cases are included to take care of child patients and to allow for underestimation in surveys.



# LOOKING AROUND



## Crumb

**H**AD a communiqué the other day from our old friend Anastasia, the cryptic hospital critic. "Elderly aunt in hospital several weeks," she related. "Often visit her at mealtimes. Always two slices bread on tray. Aunt hates bread. Nobody notices. Bread keeps coming. Wasteful."

We reported all this to a dietitian we know, and sent her answer along to Anastasia. Soon afterward, we got another note. "So who likes bread pudding?" this said.

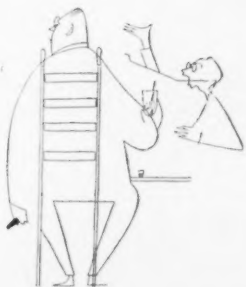
## Borderland

**F**ROM time to time in these pages, we have considered it our solemn duty to brood about the ethics of consulting services. What happens, we have wondered moodily, when a consultant's financial interest is in conflict with his conscience at a point where the outcome will never be apparent to anybody but himself? Considering the number of times architects say, "Don't build!" and surgeons say, "Don't operate!" we have been satisfied that fee-for-service morality has a high score.

Now, however, comes a report from a friend suggesting how shadowy are the pitfalls for conscience, how many the grays between black and white. A hospital planning consultant, our friend says, makes a practice of lopping off his fee if the client agrees to buy from a certain supply house—repre-

sented, in this case, by a relative of the consultant's.

Here is a nice kettle of ethics. The client saves the fee and, presumably, gets his money's worth from the supplier; the consultant sacrifices personal income for family solidarity—an admirable act, possibly, from every point of view except that of competing suppliers. Yet, unquestionably, the relationships here have been subtly changed. Something new has been added—something which is neither fee nor service and thus fits uncomfortably into a fee-for-service arrangement. An accepted practice in business, the exchange of favors for mutual advantage sits with ill grace in a professional office or consulting room, where it may be less sinful, perhaps, than simply gauche. In that dim borderland where the ethics we profess meet the economics we practice, it's often hard to tell the difference.



## Masterpiece

**W**HAT with inflation, politics and all, everybody is a little confused about everything these days, and an organization can certainly be excused for finding itself on both sides of the same issue. The way things are, it takes a good organization to find itself anywhere. Take the case of the American Legion and the American Medical Association, for example. The voluntary medical world, of which the A.M.A. is a part, if not, as it would sometimes seem, the whole, is increasingly disturbed about the expanding power of the Veterans Administration hospital system, and especially the relaxed interpretation of the law which permits care of so many nonservice-connected disabilities at V.A. hospitals—in competition with voluntary hospitals and doctors in private practice. Worrying about this form of socialized medicine, however, doctors and hospital leaders who speak up on the subject find themselves squared off against a formidable opponent—the American Legion.

Got that straight? Now consider this: Speaking at the national convention of the American Legion last month, President Louis H. Bauer of the American Medical Association declared warmly: "The American Medical Association and the American Legion have much in common. Not only are they jointly interested in the health and welfare of the veteran, but

they have also provided the main leadership in the drive against the socialism which is steadily creeping over this country." An A.M.A. release on Dr. Bauer's speech said he added that "American physicians will be forever grateful to the Legion for its early, vigorous and continued support against socialized medicine."

As Macduff said when he found the body: "Confusion now hath made his masterpiece!"

## Bowl Game

A BADLY harassed species under the most favorable conditions, hospital cashiers are frequently driven to the rim of insanity by visitors who want change to make a telephone call, buy a newspaper, or avoid the awful wrath of the bus driver, a man who sees red at the sight of green money. To save wear and tear on cashier's nerves, the Bishop Clarkson Hospital at Omaha recently installed a fishbowl, containing \$10 in nickels, dimes and quarters, on the cashier's counter. "Make your own change," says a nearby sign. When the bowl fills up with bills, the cashier reloads it with silver, a transaction that is necessary about once a day.

So far, according to *Clarkson Sparks*, the bowl shows a net profit of 2 cents, possibly proving there are honest people around, after all—at these prices, at least.

## Move Over, Barnum

THE successful public relations man, a former New York newspaper editor once wrote, must combine the best qualities of John the Baptist and a Mississippi snake doctor. The definition stood for 20 years, but it is no longer valid. Its scope must now be enlarged to include the antic genius of the Seattle public relations character who stage-managed the Ballard Hospital's recent building fund drive.

However reluctantly, Ballard's doctors were persuaded to play a key rôle in this circus. At midnight on the appointed day, doctors on the hospital staff telephoned their patients and neighbors. "Come to Ballard Hospital at once!" they said in urgent tones. "This is an emergency. We need you!"

At the same time, ambulances sped through Seattle's quiet streets toward the hospital, sirens wailing.

Thinking dire thoughts of total disaster, residents raced to the hospital, many still in their nightclothes. Arrived there, they were herded into an auditorium, where trustees told them of the emergency need for funds to provide a new building for the crowded hospital.

A few citizens were angry, it was reported, but most took it in good spirit—possibly remembering occasions on which they had aroused their doctors at night for alleged emergencies that faded unexpectedly when acute symptoms vanished before the doctor arrived. Whatever Seattle citizens thought, they gave freely; with this and other stunts, Ballard fund raisers got nearly three times what they asked for in public subscriptions. Snake doctors never had it so good.

## Heiresses

STUDENT nurses at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, Ind., opened their newspapers one morning last summer and discovered that they were heiresses. A man named Harley J. Davis, who had been a patient in the hospital before he died, had established an unusual trust fund for Lutheran students. Under its terms, every student in the school got \$150 right away. In addition, future students will get \$100 for every year of training they complete at the hospital.

Mr. Davis was a retired streetcar motorman, of all things, who made his money by the unheard of method of frugal living and saving. Student nurses took good care of him when he

was ill, he told his bankers when he established the \$125,000 trust. "It's a shame they aren't paid," he said. Hospital officials estimated the principal sum would last 15 or 20 years. By that time, they hope, the nursing shortage may have improved some.

## Vote!

FOR more than 2000 years, western man's urge for freedom and brotherhood has been struggling with his lingering mistrust of majority rule. The ancient Greeks and Romans built their democracies on foundations of intolerable slavery. Centuries later, Thomas Aquinas insisted that all men should have a share in government, but it was long after Aquinas before the great modern advocates of liberty, Milton and Locke, won a limited measure of political freedom for the people.

It remained for our own philosophers, notably Thomas Jefferson, to make the British concept of representative government fit the American idea that all men are created equal, and then to add the element that makes the republic work—the theory of the representative's periodical accountability to his constituency, as argued by Madison in "The Federalist." If democracy really means the people rule themselves, it is not enough for them to elect their officials; they must also demand an accounting, at stated intervals, of how well the officials have discharged their responsibilities.

One such interval terminates this November 4. Plainly, the vital element of accountability is meaningless if only a fraction of the people demand the accounting. The long struggle for political freedom may yet be lost, if citizens fail to use it. On page 232 of this magazine is a poster, prepared by the Advertising Council, urging Americans to exercise their hard-won freedom—to register and vote. This much, certainly, we owe to the philosophers, from Aristotle to Jefferson, who struggled to give us the liberty we enjoy. To hospitals that want to do their share by urging their staffs and employees not to default freedom, The MODERN HOSPITAL will send copies of this poster, without charge, for bulletin board use. Write and tell us how many copies you can use.







DR. ROURKE AND DR. MAC EACHERN STRETCH THE HOSPITAL DOLLAR AS MR. SMITH LOOKS ON (P. 57).

## The Convention Digest — 1952

### Theme

PHILADELPHIA.—The President of the United States shared top billing with a gleam in George Bugbee's eye at the 54th annual convention of the American Hospital Association here last month. When the convention closed, it was plain that the gleam would outlast the President: Delegates had approved the Bugbee vision of a far-flung Institute of Hospital Affairs, their misgivings about money and details subdued by the bright shape of things to come in hospital research and education.

Both the President and the Institute were presented to the convention with dazzling displays of razzmatazz. The President had his secret service, a

brass band and a roomful of admirals and generals; the Institute had a stage manager, a walkie-talkie microphone and a flannelboard, or Madison Avenue improvement on the old-fashioned blackboard. The President had detractors in the back of the room, and so did the Institute. The President's detractors were left with their teeth at half-mast when the federal hospital luncheon at which he spoke turned out to be a smashing success, but, as it turned out, it wasn't the slick, dim-houselights-up-spots technic that put the Institute across in the end; it was hard reasoning about the association and its future by some of its best friends—mostly officers, trustees and delegates.

With registration reaching for 11,000—an all-time record by a big margin (last year's record registration was 8500)—the show had to be good, and it was. The general sessions pulled near-capacity crowds of 1500 or more and held them, for the most part, in an auditorium that was sweltering hot and maliciously designed to obstruct the view of all but a few customers who sat down in front, where it was hottest. Philadelphia steamed all week, and transportation to and from the convention hall was, to put the nicest possible construction on it, uncertain. At times there wasn't any. Those were the times it rained.

In spite of these ferocious handicaps, the exhibits and meetings played

to packed houses most of the time. First-class programming brought in capable people with something to say, then added the thing that had frequently been missing before: They were told how to say it. Instead of being unleashed to ply the convention at will with formal papers or diffuse spontaneity, speakers at most of the general sessions were coached and timed, and then led, through panel discussions that had the three essential elements named in Aristotle's "Rhetoric": a beginning, a middle, and an end.

As the 54th convention is replayed in years to come, however, these new program methods will be heard as grace notes. The main theme will emerge as one of hope and courage, of vision transformed into action by men and women who were thinking seriously about their tasks in our society and their obligation to help build a better world. It will sound good.

## Tony's Day

Like parents who don't fully realize that their boy has become a man until they see him away from home, hospital administrators gained a new awareness of the stature of their association on Tuesday, September 16, when the convention spent the day in the bright light of national publicity. They had lunch with the President of the United States, and after dinner they were on the air with America's Town Meeting. Unquestionably, this day's work will make it a little easier forevermore for hospitals to get a public hearing for their problems and accomplishments; the public understands, as St. John did, that "He that loveth the truth cometh to the light."

It was a big day for everybody, but for A.H.A. President Anthony J. J. Rourke it was staggering. Dr. Rourke started the day by riding from the station to the convention hall with President Truman and ended it by carrying the hospital end of the pole at the Town Meeting, with Professor Eli Ginzberg of Columbia University playing the villain. During the day Dr. Rourke attended half a dozen meetings, toured the exhibition hall, entertained the President, shook hands with a few thousand people and made a speech at the federal luncheon, which turned out a capacity crowd of 2500 to see the show and hear the President.

At any other time, or from any other speaker, the President's speech



President Truman waves to his audience at the Federal Hospital Council Luncheon.

might have been accepted at its advertised "nonpolitical" value. Except for one crack at "pullbacks" who want to stand still with things as they are in the health field, the speech itself was mild enough—a review of the growth of federal medical services and a look at some of the broad health problems that remain to be solved. In fact, many hospital administrators in the audience, yielding to no doctors in their abhorrence of socialized medicine, thought it was a pretty good talk. But the "pullback" crack pulled the cork. Newspapers promptly pasted the label on General Eisenhower, from whose recent speech against compulsory health insurance the President quoted a few words, and immediately the wires started to burn with indignant replies. In a matter of hours, it was apparent that "pullback" would become a celebrated campaign cliché, possibly ranking with Roosevelt's "forgotten man." Technicians on both sides moved in eagerly, swinging the term with two hands, like an ax, and giving the American Hospital Association a firm, if somewhat uncomfortable, place in the nation's political history.

## CONVENTION TALKS BACK

Some of the earliest replies came from within the convention itself. Talking shortly after the President left the hall, Curtis W. McGraw, president of McGraw-Hill Publishing Company and Princeton Hospital, departed from the text he had prepared for the session on trustee relations to say pointedly:

"I make these suggestions [for free hospital development without government jurisdiction] as nonpolitically

as any of our Washington guests who seem to feel otherwise. The pullbacks mentioned this noon do *not* want to stand still." The convention applauded—plainly, in this case, expressing its approval of the statement rather than simply its respect for the occasion.

Another reply came from James E. Stuart, chairman of the Blue Cross commission, who left the Truman luncheon shooting off Blue Cross statistics like a Roman candle. "We favor no pullbacks," Stuart told reporters. "But those who march down the road toward better health cannot achieve the goal wearing the handcuffs of compulsion," he added, producing the convention's best example of the three dimensional, or revolving, metaphor.

For most convention-goers, the occasion of the President's visit was more exciting than the content of his speech. Riding from the station with Dr. Rourke, Mayor Joseph Clark of Philadelphia, Governor John Fine of Pennsylvania, and Dr. Charles F. Wilensky, the President arrived at a back entrance to the convention hall and came in through a huge, gloomy receiving room which got a careful inspection from secret service men moving in ahead of the presidential party. The packing cases in the receiving room proved as harmless to presidential safety as the Republicans inside the convention hall, and the party came in and proceeded briskly with an accompaniment of restrained applause, to the A.H.A. booth at the center of the hall, where Assistant Director Maurice Norby registered the President as a guest and pinned a convention badge on him. Preceded by secret service men and Philadelphia police who cleared the way of curious onlookers, the President and his hosts marched down the main aisle of exhibits to the display of the federal medical services, where they stopped and looked things over. At the last minute, arrangements had been made to have the President's chest x-rayed at the mobile unit operated during the convention by the Public Health Service, but this didn't come off. "He went by here so fast we scarcely saw him," said a disappointed attendant at the mobile unit.

While the vast arena upstairs was filling up with guests, the President relaxed in a back room, taking a drink and visiting informally with A.H.A. and federal hospital brass. When Dr. Rourke showed him one of the rubber dollars handed out at the "Stretching Your Hospital Dollar" sessions, the

President said quickly, "That's what they call a Truman dollar!"

Under the direction of Toastmaster Fred A. McNamara, chief of the hospital division, Bureau of the Budget, the luncheon program followed the usual pattern of introductions and remarks, then veered sharply off course when President Truman got up out of turn to present a citation from federal hospital executives to Mr. McNamara in appreciation of his work in bringing federal hospital administrators from the various services together, developing the interagency institute for federal administrators, and arranging the federal hospital luncheons. Then came Dr. Rourke with official greetings and an adroit touch about the "non-partisan nature of disease" and, finally, President Truman and what will always be known as "the pullback speech at Philadelphia."

#### TOWN MEETING

At the town meeting on hospital costs, which went on the air from the packed ballroom of the Benjamin Franklin Hotel Tuesday evening, Dr. Rourke presented evidence that hospitals can't be classified as pullbacks. Answering questions posed by Professor Ginzberg and members of the audience, Dr. Rourke said hospital people were constantly concerned about maintaining standards of care without adding unnecessary cost. He mentioned the programs of the American Hospital Association and the Commission on Financing Hospital Care as examples of forward-looking effort to find better answers. But Dr. Rourke insisted there must be no compromising of standards. "Any desire to reduce the amount of money spent on hospital care is unwise," he declared in reply to a question from the floor. "We need to spend more, not less! We could give you half care, but who wants to be half sick?"

Opening the discussion, Professor Ginzberg had charged that hospitals waste money by not putting the right patient in the right hospital, by not utilizing hospital facilities fully, and by permitting insured patients to "come early and stay too long." He referred particularly to the use of general hospitals for chronic patients who could be cared for more economically in nursing homes or in home care programs sponsored by hospitals, he said. Acknowledging the need for study of such problems, which he said was constantly going on, Dr. Rourke denied



Ritz E. Heerman of California Hospital, Los Angeles, is A.H.A. president-elect.

that special institutions for special types of care offered any economies. "Special hospitals would be a step backward," he stated. "The medical profession has found that integrated service is more satisfactory."

Doctors are as interested as hospitals are in reducing the costs of medical care, Dr. Rourke said, answering a question on this point. He cited improved staff organization and studies of medical-hospital relations as evidence of the desire to meet the challenge of increasing expense resulting from the growing complexity of medical science.

In answer to Professor Ginzberg's claim that many hospital services are shut down from Friday afternoon to Monday morning, Dr. Rourke pointed out that hospitals have a dual trust—they must serve sick people, but they must also meet the human needs of their own personnel. He described how working conditions, especially on nursing services, had been improved and working hours shortened in recent years, explaining that in order to meet the needs of employees it was necessary to cut down week-end service except in emergencies. "There is no solution to this problem yet," he said. "That's why we come here to discuss these things." As the town meeting—and the big day—drew to a close, there was no question, at least, about the need for shorter working hours for Dr. Rourke.

#### Coats and Hats

Coats came off when the association's house of delegates went to work in Philadelphia's stifling heat on Sunday morning preceding the convention, and hats were off—to the staff and

trustees—when the delegates closed their final meeting Wednesday night. From the beginning, it was clear that a question would be raised about the trustees' bold plan to establish a university-based center of continuation study and research in hospital administration and related fields—the Institute of Hospital Affairs, a project that was either a stroke of genius or a pipe-dream, depending on who was talking.

Actually, the delegates knew it was neither. They saw the plan instead as a carefully developed opportunity to assure the association's progress toward ever greater usefulness to its member hospitals and their patients, but many of them seriously doubted the wisdom of going forward with approval of the Institute "in principle," as the trustees asked, without knowing definitely where the money was coming from and without knowing more of the details. Some feared a possible dues increase if outside financial support should be lacking entirely or should fail later on. As Trustee Frank Bradley summed them up in the later stages of the discussion, there were 11 questions that were being raised about the proposal.

Published initially in the association's journal *Hospitals* several weeks ago, the proposal was presented formally to the house when Executive Director George Bugbee read a 20 minute report describing the Institute in detail and concluding with the trustees' recommendation for its establishment—with hopes of a \$5,000,000 foundation grant (half for a building that would house the association, the Institute and possibly others, half for five years of operation), but establishment, at worst, as soon as alternative plans for financing could be worked out.

As soon as discussion was called for, Delegate Guy Clark of Cleveland asked for the floor to read a prepared statement opposing approval of the proposal now. His point: A program of such magnitude should be referred to state associations for study and discussion, then brought back to the house, if the majority of states approved, next year. Delay, Clark said, "would not greatly affect the hoped for result."

Soon other questions were spilling into the aisles. What would be the precise relationship between the Institute and the association? Where would the university fit in? Where would it be located? What were the chances, really, of getting the foundation grant? What about other support?

Officers and trustees recited the answers: There would be a separate Institute board and staff, and a scientific committee from the university faculty; these groups would be responsible for policies and programs; the association staff would be advisory to the Institute. No university had been named, but it seemed likely that the location would be Chicago. Support from one foundation would not preclude aid from others. Same with universities.

These and other questions got the full treatment from the high-powered team of Rourke-Crosby-Bachmeyer that presented the Institute proposal to the membership at the opening general session of the convention Monday afternoon. They spelled it out, up and down and sideways, relating the concept to the nation's needs for health services and the program to the hospital's need for guidance.

Back in the house Wednesday evening, the Clark resolution was read again, and its approval was moved and seconded. Then, like the Hound of Heaven, "with unperturbed pace, deliberate speed, majestic instancy," board members got up, one after another, to mow down all the objections that had been raised. The finishing touch was delivered by the Rev. Donald A. McGowan, who dealt with the suggestion that action should be delayed. "If we wait until we dispel every last fleecy cloud of doubt," Father McGowan told the house, "we'll be like the fellow and his girl who waited until they could afford to get married. They did—and they both went down the aisle in wheelchairs. . . . We've been dropping pebbles into the water and admiring the ripples they cause. Now we have a chance to drop the Rock of Gibraltar, creating waves that will touch every shoreline of health care!"

That wrapped it up.

In dispatching its other business, extensive and complex as it is, the house struck only one snag—accreditation of nursing schools. Presenting his report as chairman of the council on professional practice, Dr. Albert W. Snoke of New Haven indicated that the council had carefully considered the position of the small hospital schools that were left on the ground when the accreditation balloon went up in the air last summer. Nevertheless, he reported, the council's feeling was that we must have standards, and when standards are applied, some one is certain to get hurt. Hospitals are ade-



quately, if not abundantly, represented in the accreditation picture today, Dr. Snoke said.

The discussion, which ranged over both delegates' sessions, uncovered substantial doubts that this is the case. Expressing embarrassment at being cast in the rôle of dissenter for the second straight year, Stuart Hummel of Wisconsin, who led the fight on federal aid to nursing education in the house last year, once again laid down some plain language, warning hospitals that they were letting an outside group determine the rules of the game. "It is high time we did something for the 275 hospitals in our association [those with schools not accredited] which are looking to us for leadership. It should be the responsibility of the American Hospital Association to determine the standards by which we care for our patients."

In the end, the house considered an amendment to the report calling attention to the possible effects of accreditation on nursing supply, reaffirming the principle of accreditation as a means of improving nursing service, and recommending review by the A.H.A. of the National Accrediting Service "to determine if it is the most effective organization for implementing accreditation of schools, and to assure that such organization has adequate and active representation of hospital administrators and/or hospital trustees in the policymaking body."

"The resolution is a waste of words," Hummel argued. "Pass it, and you'll be right where you were when you started." They passed it, and he quickly introduced another amendment to the council report, recommending appointment of a committee to study means and methods of developing an accrediting program, within the association itself, for the training of personnel caring for patients in hospitals. Executing a neat *glissade*, the house passed that one, too. Association policy on accreditation was in a fluid state, but it was hard to tell whether that was good or bad.

As the convention did at its opening session, the house of delegates heard and approved President-Elect Edwin L. Crosby's report on the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals. The commission is expected to take over from the American College of Surgeons by the end of the year. In addition to association council reports, delegates also listened to accounts of the activities of the women's auxiliary committee and the Blue Cross commission, and heard Dr. Paul Barton of the Health Resources Advisory Committee warn that Priority I and II physicians now serving as interns and residents will all be in class I-A, subject to immediate call, by March 1, 1953. Without any questions or comments, the house took the word of Ross Porter, chairman of the council on government relations, that a change was coming in association policy on care of veterans. At Mr. Porter's request, this section of the report was not submitted for approval.

As the final meeting of the house of delegates drew wearily toward 11 o'clock, after hours of discussion and three days of convention mileage and heat, members of the house came up smiling on two occasions when President Rourke introduced distinguished guests. One was brand-new President-Elect Ritz E. Heerman of Los Angeles, and the other was Johnny Rourke of New York, the president's son. They both looked good to the house.

## Trustees

In a meeting punctuated by lively exchanges between the panel and the audience and microphones that emitted unexpected whistles and occasional catcalls, trustees from half a dozen eastern hospitals held a mock board meeting with Administrator Richard Vanderwarker of Memorial Hospital, Anytown, U.S.A. (on leave from New York's Memorial Center for Cancer and Allied Diseases), then answered questions from the floor about their deliberations and decisions. The questions were directed to board members, sometimes with considerable top-spin, by Moderator Raymond P. Sloan, editorial director of *The Modern Hospital* and a member of the board of Memorial Center in New York City.

The session began with a sober discussion of trustee responsibilities by Curtis W. McGraw, president of Princeton Hospital, Princeton, N.J., who got the audience on his side right away by declaring that if trustees gave



their full time to the job "well trained and efficient administrators would either go crazy or have little time to perform their duties." Mr. McGraw also cast his vote for small (15 member) boards, slow turnover of members, trained administrators ("The time has long since passed when a board member, a retired businessman, or a committee can function effectively as the chief executive officer"), complete authority for the administrator, board responsibility for quality of patient care, hospital consultants, patient opinion surveys, modern management methods, integration of hospital facilities, free enterprise, and a firm answer for hospital critics. Hospitals are moving in the right direction, he concluded, but the pace should be stepped up.

When Mr. McGraw finished, the board meeting got under way. The administrator reported that a study made by the personnel policies committee of the hospital had revealed that doctors and nurses weren't getting along together, a circumstance that evoked a sympathetic titter from the audience. However, Mr. Vanderwarker added, things were looking up; a personnel manager had been employed, some meetings were being held with department heads, and attitudes were improving. Board member Reginald Coombe (Memorial Center, New York City) wanted to know if trustees on the committee were getting mixed up in administrative functions. Mr. Vanderwarker admitted that this possibility had made him nervous in the beginning, but it hadn't worked out that way. The board dealt with policy and left practice to him, he said, as heads nodded all around the room.

From here on there was less sweetness and light. Mrs. A. E. Pinanski (in Boston she's on hospital boards right and left, in addition to being chairman of the A.H.A. committee on hospital auxiliaries) read a letter from the chairman of the auxiliary to the president of the board suggesting some kind of fund-raising gismo; in the discussion that followed, she suggested that the auxiliary should be represented on the board so the ladies would know what the boys in the back room were thinking.

This caused trouble. President H. Irving Pratt (also president of North Country Community Hospital at Glen Cove, Long Island) took a dim view of what he called the "nibbling approach" to fund raising. Member



Homer A. Vilas Jr. (Mountainside Hospital, Montclair, N.J.) felt that money in any quantity should be welcome but thought the board should keep posted on what the women were doing and have authority to approve or disapprove their projects in advance. Somebody else wanted to know why the letter was addressed to the president instead of the administrator, and Mrs. Pinanski wanted to know why not?

After the board meeting closed there was further discussion on this last point, and divided opinion as to whether the shortest distance from the auxiliary to the board is a straight line through the administrator's schizophrenia. Mr. Sloan said absolutely, and Mrs. Pinanski said absolutely not, or at least not necessarily. There was disagreement, too, about auxiliary representation on the board, but it was agreed that some means must be found to keep each group informed about the other's sins.

On this happy note, the discussion moved along to consider an application for staff membership from a doctor who was obviously, on the face of it, a professional genius and a copper-riveted stinker. These things happen sometimes, board members reminded one another. The application had come along by the scenic route (staff credentials committee to staff to joint conference committee to board), Mrs. John Brelsford (Samaritan Hospital, Troy, N.Y.) informed the meeting. To apprehensive board members who wanted to take another look before passing on the application, she replied that the conference committee had already investigated reports that the applicant, as a member of the courtesy staff, had had trouble with the obstetrical supervisor, or vice versa. "I'd rather lose a doctor than an O.B. supervisor!" the administrator groaned. When the laughter died down, he added that with the promised cooperation of the chief, he was sure the doctor would become, as the conference committee had euphemistically expressed it, "a cooperative member of the hospital family." When it came to a vote, however, the board

decided to consider the matter further and put the decision off until its next meeting.

The next question was money. Treasurer Philip B. Kunhardt (actually President Kunhardt of Morristown Memorial Hospital, Morristown, N.J.) reported gloomily that the hospital's financial position was becoming more and more unfavorable, a statement that caused laughter in the audience, but with overtones of hysteria. Losses were going up and rates should be raised, Mr. Kunhardt declared. Mr. Vanderwarker explained that ward and semi-private rates were actually below costs—a situation that required study and adjustment. Some members favored an across-the-board increase on room rates; others wanted individual charges adjusted as cost facts demanded. Mrs. Pinanski suggested that if the hospital just had a gift shop, as some of the ladies had been suggesting, maybe they wouldn't have to raise rates after all. The men were patient and polite but were obviously thinking about the many differences between a gift shop and a gold mine. Eventually, everybody got to the point: Rates are a public concern; rate decisions should be made only after considering reliable public relations information and advice; public relations should be a board job but, please, not until next month!

At this point, Anytown gave way to New York, Boston and New Jersey, and, in reply to questions from the floor, the panel members started telling about their own hospitals. They all had real joint conference committees, it turned out, and they all worked good, too. A hassle developed on a question of whether department heads should attend board meetings, and excited administrators in the audience jumped up to attack or defend. Verdict: Department heads may be called in as their competencies may be needed in reviewing special problems, but take this remedy only as needed, not as regular treatment. Mr. Sloan and Mr. McGraw stood firmly against doctors on the board, but Mr. Vilas has the president of the medical staff on his board and likes it that way. Dr. Fred Carter of Cleveland, from the floor: There isn't any one right answer for everybody; it depends on the people involved in each case.

The bell rang for the end of the meeting along in here someplace, but the discussion kept going, at the request of the audience, for another 10 or 15 minutes.



## Drama on the Delaware

If a bad beginning makes a good ending, the success of the cruise of the *Delaware Belle* on Monday evening was assured from the start. The Philadelphia weatherman, in churlish mood, turned loose a driving rainstorm promptly at 5 o'clock. The sailing was delayed for an hour to permit ticket-holders to fight their way from the convention hall to the water front. And, to the intense embarrassment of the host committee, when she finally got under way, the *Delaware Belle* was missing her most important passenger—Rudy Vallee, the star of the show. In spite of it all, 2000 or more (it seemed like a lot more) determined merry-makers dripped aboard, ready for an evening of fun and frolic.

Disregarding the signs which read "Passengers Must Not Open or Close Windows," the passengers promptly opened as many as they could pry up—preferring the possibility of pneumonia to the certainty of suffocation. They danced and they ate, they drank coffee, which was miraculously good and plentiful, and they waited hopefully for the promised floor show. As the weatherman repented of his misdeeds, more and more passengers drifted to the upper decks to watch the lights of the shoreline, breathe the fragrance of the oil refineries, and indulge in a little close harmony. And still they waited for the floor show.

Tommy Tucker's orchestra and singers performed valiantly and, finally, around 9 o'clock, announcement was made that the entertainment would begin. It did—but without Mr. Vallee. Tommy, with the resourcefulness of his calling, enlisted four members of the audience to come to the microphone and "sing for their supper," the audience to be the judge of which was most deserving of a good meal. Hands-down winner of the contest was James Daniel of Columbia Hospital, Columbia, S.C., who gave out with a spirited rendition, with hiccups, of "Show Me the Way to Go Home." And still no Mr. Vallee.

Rumor and speculation were rife, but nobody had the answer to the mystery of the missing entertainer. It was solved in dramatic fashion just as the ship was about to return to port. With an immense grinding of engines, the *Delaware Belle* suddenly shivered to a stop as a small boat, its lights signaling madly, skirmished around her and, after a few maneuvers, drew along side. As a policeman stationed

on the *Delaware Belle* ran to the side to warn the intruder off, a flaming orange head emerged from the depths of the little navy cutter, followed by the scarlet clad shoulders of the errant star. Muttering "Well, better late than never," the policeman hauled a grinning, somewhat sheepish Rudy aboard, depositing him at the feet of passengers lined up waiting to disembark. Rudy had missed the boat, hunted up and down river until he found it, and talked the cutter crew into taking him out to it. It was as simple as that.

There was a concerted rush for the upper deck where the orchestra was still playing, a little confusion while the floor was cleared and chairs were shuffled about, and then the show was on. It was a good show. The Vallee voice is no better than it ever was, but the charm is still in good working order. He kidded everything and everybody, including himself and the audience; played his saxophone, and evoked nostalgic sighs from the Over-Forties in the group with the "Whiffenpoof Song," the "Maine Stein Song," and even the regrettable "Vagabond Lover." As a finale, he made the audience join him in the gay little French-Canadian song "Allouette."

To one small group of cruisers, wending their way homeward, was given a final, unexpected lagniappe to top off a strenuous but amusing evening. Inspired by the general merriment, Emanuel Faucon, visiting French hospital dignitary, burst forth into song. In a delightful voice, he warbled Allouette—as it should be sung—and, beaming happily, continued to sing in French all the way back to the Ben Franklin. Mr. Vallee should move over.

## Nurse Stretching

"We can't say we have a personnel shortage," Ruth I. Gillan, nurse consultant of the Division of Nursing Resources, Public Health Service, told a dollar-stretching convention session, "until we utilize our personnel fully. Utilization studies may show that we can actually reduce the total number of nursing personnel needed. They may show that we can use cheaper nonprofessional personnel."

Miss Gillan discussed possible hospital economy through studies of head nurse activities, since "the head nurse is the human switchboard of her unit."

J. T. Gates, director of the Hospital Methods Research Council of Cleveland, reported his Cleveland studies on

applying the methods of industry to hospitals.

"In many respects, hospitals have the same problems as industry has—good performance of small repetitive tasks that influence the cost of the final product. Nothing has been done in hospitals because no such competitive pressure has existed. He described a system to eliminate handwriting operations in nursing stations.

## Human Relations Day

The aspirin approach to personnel troubles is all wrong. Surgery may be the answer.

The doctors of human relations held a consultation before the public on Wednesday, and between and behind every pillar in Studio A an enthralled audience watched and listened. Television is rarely that good.

Picture, first of all, a 45 foot screen on which appeared successive panels of experts, each life size. In front of the huddled experts stood a hedge of microphones; the moderator wore a mike around his neck, tuba-like. Angled down upon these enthroned educators, industrialists and human relations specialists were spot lights. Sometimes they, and the audience, witnessed dramatic episodes; sometimes they heard transcribed case histories of sick departments. The audience participated by sliding into a bullpen; too, there was a mythical \$2600 jackpot, payable to Memorial Hospital and donated by the women's auxiliary—who else?

Tuesday morning brought a brief curtain raiser to Human Relations Day observances. At that time the Cornell crowd briefed the audience on the A.H.A.'s study commission on human relations, with George Bugbee emceeing. The study has started down in the kitchen with a field worker grating cheese along with the cook and is proceeding onward and upward for two years in various sized hospitals; it will culminate in a factual report and a manual of techniques.

Wednesday's double bill variety shows might have been called "I Don't Love Lucy," for personality conflicts, interdepartmental friction, and charges of general cussedness and laziness were the complaints considered. Although these situations looked hopeless to the persons involved, the "doctors" managed to agree on the diagnosis in each case and to recommend suitable ther-

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# Mr. Smith Goes To Convention

*A picture story of the A.H.A. convention in Philadelphia, September 15 to 18, 1952*



1. Last night Ernest Smith was just another Rough Rider on the Pennsy R.R. This morning our hero happily jack-knives into a Philadelphia taxi, followed by Marshall Shaffer, chief architect, U.S.P.H.S., and Robert Jones, assistant administrator of Columbia Hospital in Milwaukee.



2. Treading softly behind the mobile faced, exquisitely tailored Dr. Basil C. MacLean of Rochester, N.Y., Ernie Smith crashes The Modern Hospital editorial board party on Saturday evening, a maneuver he can't repeat until he gains Administrative Fame Through Service.



3. Even the ambitious Mr. Smith can't crash the convocation procession of the College on Sunday, but as he sees President E. I. Erickson, the chaplain, and Honorary Fellow Fred A. McNamara queuing up he vows that some day he too will rank with the nobles of the hospital realm.



4. Philadelphia's Sunday blue laws may spell boredom to some folk but to our Mr. Smith they spell freedom—American freedom. He's boning up on American history, starting, as any student must, with Independence Hall.



5. Regarding himself as a citizen of the world as well as of the nation, Mr. Smith, visiting the Cradle of Liberty, seeks out a convention visitor from afar. Here he meets Executive Secretary Emanuel J. Faucon of the Hospital Federation of France.



6. Smith's is a strictly nonbanquet budget, but he can peek behind the scenes at the banquet where the speaker, Judge Harold B. Wells of Bordentown, N.J., gets acquainted with A.C.H.A. President Erickson.



7. Registration Clerk Edna Dunphy pins on Ernie his first hospital convention badge. Claiming similar personal attention comes Lt. Col. Harry Deil, USAF (MSC) of March Air Force Base, Riverside, Calif.



8. Ernie fights shy of designing women but he's a pushover for designing men—architects, we mean. Here he gets a briefing from Mario Bianculli of Chattanooga, Tenn., and Edwin B. Morris, Public Health Service architect.



9. Elbowing his way through the exhibit crowds, Ernie stands aside while Hospital Industries Association leaders talk things over. They are William Smith, new director; Charles Pain, president, and Edgerton Hart, retiring director.

10. At his first hospital convention, Ernie finds the technical exhibits more educational than the educational exhibits. Here he tries out the new light monitor that signals if a patient moves violently or tries to get out of bed.



11. There is not a cough in a carload of Ernie Smiths but he can never pass up a free chest x-ray. Here Henry Hamil of the U.S. Public Health Service positions Smith for an examination.





12. Ernie dimly senses it but all the oldsters recognized it: the bright new faces in the hospital field. On either side of Ernie are Robert F. Tuveson, assistant administrator, Middlesex Hospital, Middletown, Conn., and Robert B. Ogren, administrative assistant at Grace-New Haven Hospital, New Haven, Conn.



13. Young Smith is the chairman's delight; he's at all meetings on time. Other early birds are Donald W. Cordes, Iowa Methodist Hospital, Des Moines; Marion B. Dennis, executive secretary, Iowa Hospital Association; Smith, and Richard R. Merker, Hand Memorial Hospital, Shenandoah, Iowa.



14. Smith seldom feels "the importance of being Ernest" as much as when, the only man in sight, he slips in to the Hospital Auxiliaries Conference. Here he meets Esther Simpson, director of volunteers at Philadelphia General, and her counterpart at the University of Chicago Clinics, Elizabeth E. Borstrom.



15. Smith proves himself a convention amateur by taking a seat just back of the Sisters of St. Vincent de Paul. So guileless are Sr. Justina of St. Mary's, Evansville, and Sr. Roberta of St. Vincent's, Los Angeles, that everyone sits through to the very warm hearts inside them but nobody sees around them.

16. Uniforms are everywhere but Ernie is a little puzzled to find men like Maj. Gen. George F. Armstrong in civvies. The army's surgeon general is talking to C. C. Hillman of Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, Fla.



17. An American convention without a coke bar or a snack bar is unthinkable, for meeting rooms grow warm and Ernie Smith and all the Smiths grow drowsy. So it's out into the corridor for a quick pick-me-up.





18. Ralph J. and Virginia Hromadka of Santa Monica, Calif., Smith and some 2000 others board the Delaware Belle on Monday evening, rain or no rain.



19. Be Kind to the Feet Corner in the A.H.A. booth in Convention Hall provides needed relaxation, reading and conversation on a superheated afternoon.



20. Hospital bull session with John G. Steinle, U.S.P.H.S.; Nick J. Karabaich, resident administrator, Springfield (Mass.) Hospital; Architect Victor J. Probst of Austin, Tex.; Robert Harth Jr., administrative resident, Freedman's Hospital, Washington, and Bank I. Paul, administrative resident, V.A. Hospital, Brooklyn, N.Y. Smith is playing the center position.



21. Standing with the photographer facing a section of the giant-pillared Room A, scene of the general sessions, Ernie Smith experiences the dry tongue and sweaty hands that speakers feel as they look down upon a rapidly filling house. They wouldn't like it if most chairs were empty, Ernie reasons, and with that his stagefright symptoms disappear.



22. "See you in San Francisco next year, maybe," cry two of Ernie's new friends as they shake hands in parting. "That'll be up to my first board of trustees," Ernie answers. "From all I've heard here this week," he tells Donald W. Rosenberger of Maine General and Pearl R. Fisher of Thayer Hospital, Waterville, Me., "I'm set to do things—true things, human things, God-inspired things." (The Ernest Smith in this picture story of the convention is William Mylchreest, an administrative resident at Grace Hospital, Detroit, and a graduate of the hospital administration program at Columbia University.)

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apy leading toward a possible cure, provided the "patients" were willing to cooperate.

It was Malcolm Knowles of the Adult Education Association of the United States who attacked the aspirin approach on the ground that it treats merely the symptoms of a disorder. The causal approach, he said, and all the others concurred, is the only sensible attack on human behavior problems. The experts did not all agree on method—of which they cited many and fancy—but they did contend that "role flexibility" is important; to this the audience agreed after the term was interpreted. (You can't apply the same technic in every situation but must try to come up with a method to fit the case—that's rôle flexibility.)

"The primary responsibility in hospital human relations rests with the administrator," Dr. Knowles declared. "A satisfactory working environment is based on (1) respect for personality; (2) individual participation in making decisions by those who are affected by these decisions; (3) the basing of all supervisory decisions on facts, and (4) the practice of sharing the fruits as well as the responsibilities of the common enterprise."

Gordon L. Lippitt of the National Training Laboratory in Human Relations insisted that "leaders are made, not born" and that all of us can develop the skills of leadership if we are interested enough to work hard at it.

As to how a hospital administrator can develop leadership qualities in human relations, Mr. Lippitt is of the opinion that reading books and holding staff conferences are in themselves not enough. He advises the administrator's getting into a "sharing situation" by leaving his hospital desk and sitting in on an institute for a short period. Such intensive experience in practicing human relations skills should be repeated at intervals, he believes.

"Crisis leadership" is the type to get away from, the authorities agreed. The hospital administrator must develop skilled leadership in himself and his supervisors so that they can anticipate interdepartmental and departmental friction before it develops.

The really capable administrator will approach his staff with the certainty that all the people have the best interests of the hospital at heart. If he takes this for granted, the chances are he will have no real problem.

The autocrat as an administrator of the hospital, nursing school or any department went out of date 20 years ago, it was said. If the administrator or supervisor is autocratic, he gets a quicker decision but implementing that decision will take longer. If he is democratic it will take longer to arrive at a decision but its implementation will be short. The over-all elapsed time is actually shorter through use of the democratic approach.

## Dollars and Doctors

The girl at the girdle counter is more of an expert on the two-way stretch than are the hospital administrator and the staff doctor in combination. In the hospital dollar stretching act, there isn't a great deal of give on the doctor's side.

Dr. Clement C. Clay, administrator of the Hospital Center at Orange, N.J., polled 180 doctors for suggestions to improve efficiency and reduce costs and he garnered the grand total of nine replies. However, after pep talks, staff letters and other shock therapy, Dr. Clay reported that some of the staff are really cogitating about hospital problems now.

The continuing study being made by the council on professional practice of the American Hospital Association was described by the council's secretary, Dr. Charles W. Letourneau. "Hospitals can affect to a certain extent the manner in which diagnosis and prescription are made by making the physician aware of the impact that his professional acts will have on the economic welfare of the patient."

## Officers Named

Ritz E. Heerman, superintendent of California Hospital, Los Angeles, was named president-elect of the A.H.A. Dr. Edwin L. Crosby, executive director of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals, moved into the president's chair at the convention's banquet on Thursday evening.

Dr. Arthur C. Bachmeyer, director emeritus of the University of Chicago Clinics, was reelected treasurer.

The three new trustees are: Dr. J. Gilbert Turner, executive director of Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal; Robert S. Hudgens, administrator, Lynchburg General Hospital, Lynchburg, Va., and B. Tol Terrell, administrator of Shannon West Texas Memorial Hospital, San Angelo, Tex.

New delegates at large are: Dr. Wilmar M. Allen of Hartford, Conn.; Dr. Harold E. Baird of Regina, Sask.; Rt. Rev. Msgr. George Lewis Smith of Aiken, S.C., and Harry C. Wheeler of Billings, Mont.

## Design in the Morning

A heat filled room in which nobody drowsed accommodated the dynamic session on design on Thursday morning. Seats were hard to locate but ideas soared in the air like flying saucers.

Dr. Carl W. Walter, the sharp witted surgeon from Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston, begged the boys to take the industrial approach to hospital design. Most of the planning must be done through a succession of management decisions long before "the architect dirties the paper with his pencil."

Prototype plans, visits to 85 hospitals, idea exchanges in convention meeting rooms—these mean little in his opinion. All the answers must be found on the local community level. This view was sharply challenged from the floor, and in the ensuing exchange of pleasantries Dr. Walter was heard to mutter that "most hospital patients would get well at home just as quickly."

Saving time through well planned hospital communications interested Robert W. Cutler of Skidmore, Owings and Merrill. He held that vertical communication by elevators is now almost an exact science, but that no comparable technical advance has been made in the dumb-waiter and tray conveyor systems, both of which eat up too much space. Great imagination has been shown in the development of electronic paging systems, with radio paging being tooled for the hospitals of tomorrow. Mr. Cutler figuratively wrapped a towel around his head to predict that one day the nurse at her station may be observing the patient and listening to his breathing over TV.

"Working smarter but not necessarily harder" is the goal of work simplification practices, said Harold E. Smalley of the Motion and Time Study Laboratory, University of Connecticut. He wants the industrial engineer to have a place on the hospital planning team that precedes the layout of areas by the architect. Easier, quicker and less fatiguing methods will offset the labor shortage in hospitals, if they will but accept the practices long used in industry.

One of the many arguments that

enlivened this session was over the proper location of the nurses' station. Some argued that the nurses should not be near the elevators but near the patients and that clerks should control the visitors and nonnursing activities on the floors. Dr. Harvey Agnew surmised that after visiting hours the clerks would be hard at work giving themselves manicures. The ward manager system, as being used at Memorial Hospital, New York, was suggested by someone as an alternative.

Another question Consultant Agnew raised was the long distances now traveled from wards to x-ray rooms and other adjunct services. The time thus wasted might call for minor x-ray facilities nearer at hand.

Again posing as a seer, Mr. Cutler wondered if the hospitals of today are not just "beautiful nonentities" and if in the hospitals of the future every room will be a laboratory, every room an operating room.

### Design in the Afternoon

An innovation in hospital planning practice, cocktail bars for ambulatory patients and drinks via room service, like downtown, for patients whose doctors don't object, was proposed at one of the dollar-stretching sessions by Edward E. James, director of North Shore Hospital, Great Neck, Long Island. Mr. James urged a standing-room-only audience of architects, consultants and administrators to plan their hospitals for flexibility, so that major alterations may be made as changing practices require.

In another departure from time-honored practice, Mr. James suggested "opening up" heretofore hidden departments of the hospital, so that patients and visitors can see for themselves what goes on behind the scenes.

Gordon A. Friesen, senior hospital administrator for the Memorial Hospital Associations of Virginia, West Virginia and Kentucky, made a spirited plea for architects, administrators, physicians and major department heads to get together frequently in preplanning sessions to establish the kind of rapport that results in hospitals whose patients are regarded as psychic and spiritual, as well as physical, organisms.

On the same program, Dr. Robert Lowe, administrator of Rochester General Hospital, Rochester, N.Y., suggested putting the formula room in central supply—a suggestion from which listeners recoiled in horror at

first, then, as they heard the rationale set forth by Dr. Lowe, turned to each other and asked, "Why not?"

### Purchasing

The purchasing session was a good buy for any convention shopper, and some 350 persons requisitioned seats.

You can stretch the hospital dollar by outside contracting for certain services, George A. Hay, administrator of the Hospital of the Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania, maintained. But when it comes to the purchasing, pharmacy and housekeeping departments it seems wiser not to bring a third party into the situation.

Painting can best be done by the hospital's own staff, Mr. Hay holds, but printing can be expertly handled only by an outside contractor. The important thing is that the hospital administrator must know his costs; then he can study all the services to see where outside contracts can do the job better and cheaper than can hospital employees.

Mr. Hay jerked his audience up short by suggesting an outside contractor for hospital meal service. "The colleges and hospitals that train dietitians seem to lack courses in administrative techniques, in personnel management and human relations. The main cause of poor meal service in hospitals is this fundamental defect in the education of dietitians."

Reuben H. Graham, purchasing agent for North Carolina Baptist Hospitals at Winston-Salem, told the group that the first step on the way toward labor saving equipment is to form committees of key departments and employees. These committees can then study procedures and simplify and standardize them. The next step will lead them directly to supplies and equipment. Both administrator and purchasing agent must keep up with all new equipment.

Speaking on "Can Prepacking Save Money?" Ronald Yaw, director of

Blodgett Memorial Hospital, Grand Rapids, Mich., said that we must get some sensible standards on the number of gauze pads and the like that are to be put into one package so that manufacturers can prepackage the correct quantity at the factory. As it is now, a great amount of repackaging by hand goes on in the hospital central supply room.

Robert G. Boyd spoke words of praise for the organization of a standardization and simplification committee. One such committee at Cleveland Clinic actually saved the hospital \$8000 during its first year of operation. Mr. Boyd suggested an invasion of the storerooms with the objective of getting rid of all obsolete items.

### Auxiliaries

Today their gladness overshadows their madness. Like mad they continue to raise money for the hospital. But like glad they retrieve, recruit and retain friends for the hospital. And, unfurnished in their cheery cherry red, like glad they dig into hospital jobs that on today's market few salaried persons can be induced to accept.

Even the imaginative A.H.A. is staggered at the size, the glowing friendliness, and the thirst for knowledge of the national organization of women's hospital auxiliaries it created only five years ago. Some 600 delegates listened, lunched, teared and traded techniques at Philadelphia this year, and they represented more than 400,000 women.

The new slant these delegates are taking home with them is that if they are going out selling the home hospital, it is necessary that they know every facet of hospital operation. They came to Philadelphia primarily to learn, and the formal program fed them facts.

As their favorite speaker, James E. Hague, assistant city editor of the *Washington Post*, told them, they are working, down-to-earth practitioners of hospital public relations. They succeed best because of their amateur standing. Their soundest technic is word-of-mouth telling of the hospital story.

They also liked Everett W. Jones, vice president of the Modern Hospital Publishing Company, because he gave them financial facts—what it costs a superbly equipped hospital to snatch a baby from Death's hands, what the credit officer is up against, what the financial audit is and the medical audit and the value of each to the public.



Apparently it isn't hard to get good speakers for these sessions. Mabel A. Barron of Elizabeth Steel Magee Hospital, Pittsburgh, jumped at the chance to tell her needs for auxiliary help in recruiting students and employees and in explaining apparent breaches in service to an intolerant public. Sylvia J. Levie of Jewish Hospital, Cincinnati, voiced the dietitian's need for wanted help in informing the public, all of whom regard themselves as experts on one phase of hospital service, namely, food, that bland diets would be uninteresting at home, too. Trustee Edward K. Warren of Greenwich, Conn., welcomed the chance to give some danger signals in board relationships. "If the chairman of the board of trustees and the chairman of the medical board are the best of friends—that's not one red light, it's three red lights," he warned.

The delegates were charmed by a Proper Bostonian, Mrs. Augustus Thorndike, who told the story of Massachusetts General's "female visitors" of 1869, "judicious women" who assisted patients chiefly by listening to them. The experiment of 1869 is still being continued, largely because members of the visiting committee are judicious women who are particularly adept at listening.

Delegates liked the way Sister M. Michael, superintendent of Misericordia Hospital, Philadelphia, told of the dovetailing of the auxiliary's famous annual lawn party with the men's money raising effort for the hospital. They admired the greenhouse work and other activity projects an auxiliary provides for mental patients at Boston Psychopathic Hospital as told by Mrs. Henry S. Stetson.

At the closing luncheon on Thursday awards were announced in the third annual contest on annual or other reports to the community. These public relations awards went to auxiliaries of the following hospitals:

Group I: Community Hospital, Paragould, Ark.

Group II: Lubbock Memorial Hospital, Lubbock, Tex.

Group III: Abington Memorial Hospital, Abington, Pa.

## The College

The honorary alma mater of 2083 enterprising hospital administrators has come of age. In the very room where a toddling American College of Hospital Administrators held her



first convocation 18 years ago, that body, ripened in dignity and allure, on Sunday the 14th gathered to her well rounded bosom a group of 275 nominees, 216 members and 90 fellows, all shining new in their respective categories.

Education with decided spiritual overtones was the theme of the Arthur C. Bachmeyer annual address, delivered at the Monday morning session of the A.C.H.A. by Clarke G. Kuebler, Ph.D., president of Ripon College. Starting in a mild conversational tone, Dr. Kuebler quickly warmed up to evangelical fervor, spiked with satire, in elaborating his thesis that freedom must not be taken for granted, it must be won and rewon—and it can only be won by the right kind of education. If the United States ever falls into the trap of totalitarianism, the switch from freedom to slavery will creep up on us from within, through sheer neglect, rather than as the result of war or revolution.

Totalitarianism, according to Dr. Kuebler's definition, is the direct antithesis of democracy in that its adherents hold that only a few men are capable of reason and that the individual must be submerged in the state, whereas democracy is built on the conviction that everyone can reason his way to the truth and that the dignity of the individual is above all price and the state is the servant of the man.

Because education is the keystone of democracy, the speaker warned, the schools are always the first area to be attacked. The churches come next. The schools must guard against the encroachment of the totalitarian point of view by educating young people to assume responsibility, to develop their critical faculties and to reason their way to the truth.

The gravest danger in the American educational system, Dr. Kuebler believes, is that we train people prematurely for professions and vocations without enough liberal training. "No one can live within his profession," he stated. "Our students must be educated beyond their professions so that they can develop their critical faculties." They must be given time to get a lib-

eral education before they are trained for a profession or vocation.

Another equally serious danger in our education system is that young people are given "every equipment except morality and religion." Man, Dr. Kuebler insisted, is valuable because he is made in the image of God. It isn't "liberal" or "sophisticated" to have no religious or spiritual values. Every individual must worship something; if he is not taught to worship God, he will turn to worship of money, or success, or himself—or the state—to fill the vacuum.

If education of the young is to equip them for freedom, we must concern ourselves with giving them moral and spiritual training as well, and in that realm American education has been terribly deficient. The schools must remedy that deficiency, without descending into bigotry.

"And let it be when thou shalt hear a sound of going in the tops of the mulberry trees, that then thou shalt bestir thyself, for God will go forth before thee to smite the host of the Philistines."

The verse from the Old Testament with which he concluded his talk bestirred Dr. Kuebler's enthralled audience to applause such as speakers at hospital conventions seldom get. As one Catholic Sister summed up later, "It was a rare privilege to hear a man like that. Makes you realize there are still things in the world that are worth fighting for. I wish we could get him to talk to our student nurses."

Proving herself no man's or no party's captive, the college, on Monday morning, after a touching farewell to "President Ernie" (E. I. Erickson), turned eager and instant allegiance to Dr. Fraser D. Mooney of Buffalo, N.Y., new top man, meanwhile fluttering coquettish lashes at Dr. Merrill F. Steele of Christ Hospital, Cincinnati, the new "elect."

Assisting Dr. Mooney in his prexy-ing job this year will be Melvin L. Sutley of Wills Eye Hospital, Philadelphia, as first vice, and Sister M. Conchessa of St. Louis as second vice (strike out that second vice and substitute virtue). Again heading headquarters staff will be the faithful Dean Conley whose tidy and temperate report on "Your College in Action" was warmly applauded.

New regents named for five regions are: Mark H. Eichenlaub, No. 3; Frank S. Groner, No. 6; Ray E. Brown, No. 9; B. Tol Terrell, No. 12; Dr. A.

C. McGugan, No. 13. Other regions acquire other regents other years.

In his presidential summing up, "President Ernie" mentioned proudly the enlargement of the credentials committee to nine members from three geographical areas, thus accelerating the processing of applications. Mr. Erickson reminded members and fellows that to help all hospital administrators, in and out of the college, to be better executives is part of their duty to their 18 year old alma mater.

Honorary fellowships were conferred on Dr. Arthur C. Bachmeyer and on Fred A. McNamara, chief of the federal Bureau of the Budget. The president's emblem was given Frank J. Walter.

Applause was genuine and sustained for the banquet speaker, Judge Harold B. Wells of Bordontown, N.J., whose subject was leadership. Said he: "We have more to fear from our own moral and mental decay than from the world's Communists. And remember, no one else can do the work that God has assigned to you."

### Awards and Honors

In a presidential election year the ballot superseded the applause meter in naming the winners of the annual idea contest on "Stretching the Hospital Dollar." Ten finalists presented their inventions, tangible and intangible, before a Wednesday night crowd presided over by Robert W. Bachmeyer.

Next morning the returns were in and the following successful candidates were announced:

\$100 defense bond winner: Sister Miriam Eveline, on her employee training program to raise morale and pride in work and to reduce labor turnover at St. Vincent's Hospital, New York.

\$50 defense bond winner: Ralph L. Perkins for his mobile tricycle Stryker frame; he is administrative officer of the U.S. Public Health Service Hospital, Stapleton, Staten Island, N.Y.

\$25 defense bond winner: Nelson O. Lindley, assistant director of Beth Israel Hospital, Boston, for his recovery room stretchers with removable sideboard and I.V. pole.

The awards were announced at the annual banquet on Thursday evening.

The highest honor the A.H.A. has to confer each year is its Award of Merit, and on Thursday evening this honor was bestowed on Dr. Fred G. Carter, administrator of St. Luke's Hospital, Cleveland. Dr. Carter has

had a distinguished career in hospital administration.

Honorary membership in the association was extended to Luther W. Youngdahl and Anson C. Lowitz during the banquet ceremonies. Judge Youngdahl's contribution has been to mental hospitals both in Minnesota, where he was a former governor, and in the nation. Mr. Lowitz, vice president of Foote, Cone & Belding, has directed student nurse recruitment activities as volunteer coordinator for the Advertising Council.

### Planning Agencies

Representatives of state and federal planning agencies and those of such voluntary associations as the A.H.A., A.M.A. and A.N.A. got together September 14 at the Association of Hospital Planning Agencies meeting to wrestle over their mutual problems and resolve some differences. Theme of the meeting was "How Can Voluntary and Official Agencies Cooperate to Achieve Better Patient Care?" and it was immediately apparent that all groups were in complete agreement on two points: (a) official and voluntary groups *can* work together, and (b) they'd better. Chief area of disagreement was the usefulness, or otherwise, of hospital licensing regulations.

Leading off for the official point of view, Gordon Cumming, chief, bureau of hospitals, California State Department of Public Health, pointed out that the first need is to define exactly what is meant by patient care from the patient's own point of view, and that includes his ability to pay for it. Both state and voluntary agencies, he stated, are primarily concerned with improving patient care in existing institutions, and in extending care to areas where there is none, or where it is inadequate. Having state licensing agencies, Mr. Cumming believes, focuses responsibility in the over-all approach in making regulations work and in coordinating data and sources of information to which hospitals can refer when they need help.

Mr. Cumming's view of the licensing program was upheld by Dr. John R. McGibony, chief of the Division of Medical and Hospital Resources, U.S. Public Health Service, who asserted that legal regulations to back up the standards set by voluntary agencies are needed for the patients' protection but that the existence of such laws doesn't necessarily entail "therapy by regulation." Licensing

laws, the speaker stated, improve good hospitals and strengthen the weak.

Dr. Donald Anderson, secretary of the A.M.A.'s council on medical education and hospitals, believes precisely the opposite. Licensure, he stated flatly, is not a panacea for all hospital problems. The A.M.A.'s voluntary program to raise standards in hospitals has done a better job than licensing agencies have. Indeed, he added, licensing regulations are below A.M.A. standards in many cases and licensure has actually been known to keep competent physicians out of hospitals because of legal technicalities. Dr. Anderson cautiously admitted that government can cooperate with voluntary agencies without trying to dominate them—he has seen it happen. However, he has also seen disquieting trends that lead him to believe that in too many instances government is paying mere lip service to the voluntary agencies when it seeks their counsel without having any real intention of following it.

Speaking as president of the Association of State and Territorial Health Officers (a voluntary group), Dr. Leroy E. Burney had a little trouble remembering whose side he was on. Since he is health officer for the Indiana State Board of Health, it was not surprising that he took a swipe at the voluntary groups by pointing out that they have not been much help to the state agencies in the hospital licensing program. Health officers need the help and guidance of hospitals and voluntary groups, he said, and so far they haven't had much. Maybe, he added, the health officers haven't asked for it.

J. Milo Anderson, representing the spirit of sweet reasonableness, as well as the Ohio State University Health Center, closed the debate by asserting that there is a real spirit of cooperation between government and voluntary groups "in spite of periodic outbursts of recrimination on both sides, with government feeling that hospitals are incapable of operating their own business, and hospitals defending themselves." Both sides, he added drily, might well modify their views.

The evening session of the meeting was divided between business and monkey business. The monkey business took the form of a comedy of errors called "A Typical Community Starts a Hill-Burton Project." It was spontaneous, unrehearsed—and without a script—and everybody, actors and audience, had a wonderful time.



## OVERWORKED and UNDERPAID

—but try to get one of them to quit the field!

HOSPITAL administrators, it has been asserted on more than one occasion, are underpaid, overworked and generally unappreciated members of our economic society. This unhappy view of things is confirmed, at least partially, by administrators themselves in a MODERN HOSPITAL survey covering 139 hospitals of all sizes in all parts of the country. Asked point-blank if they felt they were adequately reimbursed for their efforts to hold the conflicting pressures of patients, doctors and trustees at arm's length, most administrators said "No!" Many added illuminating comments aimed at making the point more emphatic.

After thus asserting "This is a dog's life!" the administrators quickly added that they like it that way—in fact, they wouldn't trade places with anybody. Only a handful responded affirmatively when asked if they would leave their present positions for a larger salary in another industry.

The average annual salary of all the administrators reporting in this survey was \$6841, an amount that compares favorably with the earnings of straight-time skilled labor in most industries but is exceeded by plumbers, electricians and others who stay on the job after the whistle blows at double-time rates—as most administrators do routinely for nothing.

In another comparison that comes quickly to mind, it might be pointed out that according to a U.S. Department of Commerce report released last year, the average net income of physicians in private practice was \$11,744 a year. This is a contrast that has not escaped the attention of administrators. Asked if their incomes provided a standard of living comparable to that enjoyed by doctors and hospital trus-

tees in their communities, three-fourths of the responding administrators said they did not.

Inevitably, the larger hospitals pay the larger salaries. As shown in the accompanying table, administrators of hospitals under 50 beds reported an average annual salary of \$4738; the average salary rises steadily by hospital size—to the respectable sum of \$10,619 for reporting hospitals with 200 beds or more. A surprising result of the survey was the number of administrators who reported that they are still receiving some perquisites, or living expenses in kind, in addition to their cash salaries. More than 40 per cent of the administrators in this group are taking meals on the house; for several of them, the house itself is thrown in. This circumstance has a depressing effect on cash salary; sev-

eral of these administrators get less than \$3000 a year in cash, and one, acknowledging a certain discontent with the situation, reported an annual salary of \$1200.

Perquisites, however, are by no means ruled out at the other end of the economic scale. A number of administrators reporting salaries of \$12,000 or more are still feeding out of the hospital trough, and one of the highest salaries in the group, \$18,500, goes to the administrator of a 500 bed hospital who is enjoying the executive equivalent of an old-fashioned maid-servant's "totin's."

Divided by regions, the number of hospitals reporting here is too small to have statistical significance. Nevertheless, it is interesting to note that regional variations are slight, for the most part, and the progression of earn-





ings from small to large hospitals remains steady. In Albuquerque as in Albany, the payoff is on size, a circumstance that may easily violate the sense of justice of administrators in smaller hospitals. "In this hospital of 53 beds I am hospital administrator, purchasing agent, druggist and director of nurses," one of these wrote. "I have been in the field of hospital administration for 25 years," she added. "Why is it that a nurse administrator's salary is so much lower than a man's? Frequently a nurse is replaced by a male administrator at double the salary—plus a graduate nurse as an assistant!"

The answer to this question didn't emerge clearly in the survey, which bears out only faintly, however, the popular notion that hospital administrators commonly hop from job to job like children playing musical chairs. The average period of service represented in the group was five years, a wholesome tenure, and a substantial number of these administrators have been reporting for duty at the same address for as long as 15 or 20 years. The record for holding still was established by one old-timer who went into office with Woodrow Wilson in 1912 and has been on the job ever since, surviving the vicissitudes of war, depression, inflation, the Democratic Party and the economic security program for nurses. Over the years, his salary was increased from \$2000 in 1912 to \$8600 last year. As he did in the beginning, he still gets full room and board. On the whole, administrators have not fared as badly during the inflation period as some other groups. Their salary increases over the last five years have averaged 27 per cent. While the cost of living index computed by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics has increased 40 per cent over the same period, few employed groups have kept up with the index, and many have fallen much further behind. Doctors in private practice, for example, increased their earnings only 19 per cent in the latest five-year period covered by the Department of Commerce report.

Such salary increases as administrators have had, moreover, were earned in an uphill struggle. There are few contracts in the group, and few informal agreements calling for definite salary increases over a stated period of years. Furthermore, administrators who stay on the job for 25 years or more must still depend on the whims of hospital trustees for their old-age

TABLE 1—AVERAGE ANNUAL SALARIES OF ADMINISTRATORS

Group	Average Administrator's Salary Today	Average Number Years on Job	Average Salary When Employed	Pct. Increase
54 hospitals under 50 beds.....	\$4738	5	\$3743	26
34 hospitals 51-100 beds.....	5343	5	4521	18
27 hospitals 101-200 beds.....	9539	4	5609	70
24 hospitals 201 beds or more.....	10619	10	7707	37
139 U.S. hospitals.....	\$6841	5	\$5022	27

security. Only 25 hospitals in the entire group have a retirement plan for their administrators, and these, according to the reports, are unlikely to result in extended European vacations. One hundred dollars a month, it develops, is regarded as comfortable retirement pay after a lifetime of serving the sick. Anything more is munificent.

Meanwhile, however, life for the administrator has not been without its brighter moments. When convention time comes around, the average administrator is off to the races, with nobody looking over his shoulder to count the hospital's dollars as he spends them. Asked to classify the expense account arrangement under which they attend hospital conventions, 40 administrators said their expense accounts were liberal, 45 described the arrangement as average, and only 23 said authorized expenses were held to a minimum. Twenty-nine administrators dig into their own threadbare pockets for convention expense funds, and two reported sadly that they just don't go.

To the extent that it is discernible in these reports, hospital administrators are at least as contented with their lot in life as the next man—and a lot happier than one would expect, judging from their salaries alone. Few feel that they are adequately compensated, considering the salaries earned by executives with comparable responsibilities in industry, but the majority appear to

accept this unfortunate circumstance cheerfully, regarding penny-pinching as an established fact of life. A certain amount of self-righteousness emerged in replies to the question, "Would increased salary improve your effectiveness?" "I do the best I can without respect to compensation," was a typical answer. "I am happy to serve to the best of my ability and strength," another administrator declared, adding sententiously, "Money is not the basis of happiness!"—a proposition that has been defended by philosophers since the time of Aristotle but will still start an argument in most occupational groups. A few administrators seek to justify their small salaries on the ground that this is all the hospital can afford. "I feel this small hospital is limited as to the amount of salary it can offer," one such executive stated. "Professionally, one does not regulate their efforts to the salary given," said another, with more attention to recititude than to syntax, "but rather to the needs of the institution."

Others reached the same general conclusion by a less sympathetic route. "The average board of trustees is struggling with the old dollar sign," said one of these. "Too many trustees lack the foresight to know that a worth-while administrator can make or break the hospital. It is difficult for an administrator to plead his case; it is easier to change jobs." The same correspondent had another rap for hos-

TABLE 2—ADMINISTRATORS' SALARIES BY REGION

Region	-50 Beds	51-100 Beds	101-200 Beds	201+ Beds	Average All Sizes	Average Years on Job	Average Salary When Employed	Pct. Increase
Midwest.....	\$3841	\$5667	\$7979	\$15,200	\$6151	5	\$3818	61
Mid-Atlantic.....	7000	4200	7412	9,023	7684	6	5379	42
New England.....	2917	5550		14,500	6103	7	4912	24
Southeast.....	4500		7100	8,932	7371	10	4528	63
South.....	4140	5166		12,000	5355	4	3788	41
Southwest.....	5780	5100			5800	3	5180	12
Mountain.....	4776		7050	12,500	6458	6	4598	44
West Coast.....	6377	6450		9,300	7026	4	5429	29

pital boards. "Administrators are being produced by the various schools at such a rate that the graduates, mostly men, are being offered the top jobs. These graduates lack the real experience which is necessary to good hospital administration, yet the large numbers being graduated are flooding the field."

Examined under a microscope, this comment would probably reveal two strains that were not uncommon in this group of administrators. One is the resentment of the older, experienced administrator who has learned his job the hard way, as he sees it, toward the younger men, fresh from their courses in hospital administration, who are walking off with many of the better jobs in the field today. The other strain is the resentment of the female of the species toward the male, who invariably gets more money for doing the same work. This was not determinable from the present survey, but a previous MODERN HOSPITAL study showed male administrators making an average of 30 per cent higher salaries than women did.

Regardless of sex and experience, however, many administrators in today's group are convinced they could do better work if they had more money. Some who are fighting a losing battle with the mounting demands of growing families indicate that relief from the nagging burden of financial worry would improve administrative

efficiency; others say frankly that they could deal more effectively with members of the medical staff if their salaries permitted a standard of living which would enable them to meet staff and board members as social equals. "The respect and prestige that go with one's standard of living would help me with the medical staff," said an administrator whose \$6000 salary keeps him locked up in the community's social cellar. "With an adequate salary," he continued, "I would not be made to feel like an 'inferior layman.' I could then meet doctors and board members on more even terms, instead of as a subordinate employee." The same comment, in practically the same words, was repeated time after time in these reports.

At the higher salary levels, administrators have traded in their worries about social status and paying for the children's education; instead, they brood about retirement pay and the income tax. Several administrators in the \$20,000 a year bracket referred wistfully to the liberal expense accounts, stock options, long-term contracts and other devices industry has developed to help its top executives fend off the wolf in these tax-ridden days. "Hospitals offer very little except a cash salary," one administrator observed. "Too few boards realize that salary increases are not a panacea for all management problems. Hospital people are devoted to their calling;

hospital executives are probably subjected to more human relations pressures than any other group in our society. They do not expect great monetary returns, but society should give them more security. Administrative budgets need to be enlarged to provide life insurance, retirement endowments and expense accounts for club memberships, travel to educational meetings, automobile expenses and other needs that are met routinely for executives in industry today." Remarking on the incidence of coronary artery disease among hospital executives, another administrator concluded tartly, "Hospital boards should consider insurance programs as benefits for the widows."

Nevertheless, the average hospital administrator wouldn't change jobs with anybody—except another hospital administrator. More than half of those responding in this survey said they would leave their present positions to accept a higher salary in another hospital, but only 29 said they would consider leaving the hospital field—at any price. The reasons are expressed in varying terms, but they add up to the inescapable fact that hospital administrators are proud of their occupation and get huge satisfaction from doing good. "I'm in this business to stay," said one young administrator, obviously speaking for the entire group. "—show me any other job with half as much personal gratification!"

# There's no short cut to **NURSING LEADERSHIP**

**I**N THE promotion of a nurse to a supervisory position, a minimum of emphasis should be placed on her length of service on general duty. It is a fallacy to use longevity as the only criterion in determining leadership capabilities. Witness the failures of many older nurses who do not succeed when promoted to head nurse, even though they are excellent bedside nurses.

This situation was demonstrated by an excellent general duty nurse who was promoted to the position of head nurse, on a private division, after 15 years' service in the hospital. With such a long work period on this nursing unit it was felt that she would make an excellent head nurse because of her accumulated technical experience. Shortly after her appointment, this private division nursing unit was the cause of complaints from many sources. An investigation was made to determine the cause. It was soon obvious that the new head nurse was indeed quite competent technically, so much so that she placed little value on spending her efforts to work well with other departments, in accepting responsibility for administrative reports, in planning daily schedules, or in teaching her personnel, and in the many other administrative tasks required of her in the new position.

## **REFLECTS ON THE DIRECTOR**

This error of selection is not a reflection on the nurse, but on the director of nurses or hospital administrator who failed to recognize that leadership development is not learned through repeating routine nursing duties year after year. Psychologically speaking, the willingness to acquire supervisory knowledge is a function of the desire and energy with which it is pursued and the rate of learning of the individual nurse.

While a skillful general duty nurse will always be considered for promotion, it should be recognized that

*nursing leaders may be born—they also  
must be trained, beginning in the classroom*

## **EVERETT JOHNSON**

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technical proficiency is not the primary ability needed to direct a nursing unit. People associated with large business corporations or government agencies can easily recall many examples of the limitations of leaders promoted only on the basis of technical skill. They often lack an appreciation and understanding of the social factors needed for success in their new position and are not aware that the art of persuasion is a necessary attribute of a leader.

With the rise in the use of chemotherapy and the closer patient supervision required because of it, with more and more complex mechanical equipment on nursing units, and with greater use of unskilled and semi-skilled nursing personnel, the value of good nursing administration continually grows. The hospital administrator and director of nurses should frequently and objectively evaluate the standards used in selecting supervisory personnel, thus assuring the hospital of a rising standard of nursing

leadership. This must be done if the nursing service is to develop leaders capable of meeting the future needs of medicine.

Nursing supervisors must have confidence in their own ability to use effectively administrative technics in ward management. In these days of functional nursing and the nursing team it is only a short time after graduation that the R.N. finds herself directing other people, such as nurse's aides, practical nurses, volunteer ward aides, ward clerks, and orderlies. The shortage of nurses often forces a nursing administrator to promote a recent, inexperienced graduate to the position of charge nurse or head nurse with the hope that her undergraduate work has made her capable of handling the additional authority and responsibility.

## **NOT TRAINED IN MANAGEMENT**

Except in the largest hospitals, seldom is an attempt made to train general duty nurses in ward management before they become head nurses. Consequently, many head nurses and supervisors are not familiar with the methods used by leaders to obtain cooperation and coordination and their nursing personnel often has a feeling of insecurity. The untrained head nurse may soon be haggling and



bargaining with the nursing unit employees instead of leading them through the proper use of her leadership training. This is caused by her lack of awareness of the importance of building the employees' confidence in her by maintaining their individual respect and integrity.

Both the confidence of the nursing personnel in the supervisor and the confidence of the supervisor in herself can come only through a combination of training and experience. If either training or experience of a supervisor is incomplete she will lack confidence in herself and will soon display it by avoiding issues, not admitting errors, withholding unpleasant truths, and appearing insincere. When such signs appear it means that the nurse leader does not understand the new technics she is using and more time should be spent in giving her additional training in ward management.

A second area of confusion, which should be more clearly defined in the leading of a group is the function of majority opinion as compared to unanimity of opinion. An understanding of the situations in which each is applicable as a method of action is important. Occasionally, a general duty nurse or nurse supervisor may remind the administrator that democratic action, or the use of the majority opinion, should be the basic method of determining actions of management and that no decision should be arrived at without respect for this process. Such a suggestion indicates that the person making this point does not understand cooperative action and the need for complete agreement in action, which is the basic concept of good administration.

#### COMPLETE AGREEMENT ESSENTIAL

The use of this method in the operation of a hospital is mandatory because the character of the work demands almost complete agreement at all times. Technical nursing skills are acquired and developed only through long hours of instruction and practice. To achieve the maximum effectiveness of these abilities they must be routinized and synchronized into habitual behavior. The use of the majority opinion, on the other hand, allows a member of the nursing unit to disagree openly, but there must not be a carry-over into a refusal to act. If a disputing minority can openly continue to reject any authority and refuse to continue to work toward the ac-



Technical proficiency alone is not enough to make a good supervisor.

complishment of an immediate goal, absurd situations will exist in nursing where, at times, action must be quick, unquestioned and with no time for debate if the desired result is to be achieved.

The development of adequate nursing leadership may be restricted by three general policies recommended by national nursing organizations. The first one is the traditional emphasis placed on the importance of the technical skills in nursing. National nursing organizations believe that all nurse administrators should have an R.N., and state licensing laws reflect the belief that technical attainments are of primary importance to good nursing administration. As a result of this belief hospitals have made little effort to use nonnursing personnel in supervisory capacities.

Technical nursing skills are of the highest importance at the general duty level but decrease in value as greater reliance is placed upon administrative technics. The importance of this proposition has gained considerable recognition in highly technical industries in the last 10 years. The emphasis in selecting and training prospective management personnel has shifted from engineers specialized in one

limited field to persons with training in many phases of the industry. The same factors which have caused many industrial concerns to recognize this situation also operate in the hospital nursing situation. There is a level in any organization, including the hospital, where the importance of administrative knowledge outweighs the importance of technical skill.

#### CURRICULUM IS INADEQUATE

A second policy of concern is the failure of national nursing groups to promote establishment of a nursing curriculum designed to develop those administrative skills of perspective and balance. While these qualities may be developed in a position of responsibility, educational background is important as it increases the depth and breadth of both attributes. Good administration is to a large extent centered on the social sciences. As yet hospital schools of nursing present few courses in this educational area. Even graduate university nursing programs offer limited opportunities for this type of study. They usually select a few basic theories from the social sciences and develop these ideas in terms of their application to nursing. This does not allow the student an

opportunity to explore the social science departments of the university through interdepartmental registration. By presenting these theories in nursing courses, the schools emphasize the nursing aspects rather than the over-all implications of such theories, which are the most important for continual improvement in administration.

The third policy the national organizations sponsor is in the forefront today. It is the promotion of the idea that intellectual ability and training is the most important quality in actual leadership. Because national nursing organizations strive to achieve the goal of intellectual training through formal education they create many problems. The intellectual skills required for good leadership are necessary, but are not as important for success as are four other skills which will be discussed later. This does not imply that formal education should be discarded. Quite the reverse is true; as nursing becomes more complex, emphasis upon a carefully outlined program of didactic and clinical training for nursing leadership becomes increasingly valuable and necessary.

#### EDUCATION NOT GUARANTEED

Often overlooked in evaluating formal nursing education is the process of selection inherent in it. Nurses attracted to graduate study in nursing administration usually possess those qualities essential to the development of capable nursing executives. The greatest objection to this system of formal education is that there is no guarantee that graduates are in truth educated, though they may have gained considerable knowledge. Anything short of this goal tends to develop a nurse with an attitude of reliance on published material and a suspicion of the ability of a nurse without this training to learn through experience. Formal education has a tendency to develop nurses who think calmly and deliberately. The ability to think reflectively is not nearly as important to the head nurse as it is to the director of nurses and it may impair a head nurse's ability to handle a nursing unit where the situation is ever-changing, unpredictable and sometimes unstable. In such an environment the planning ability of a nurse may be frustrated and lead to dissatisfaction with her position.

In evaluating a program of formal education, the fact should not be overlooked that our present social system

uses the college degree as an index of determining social status. As a result, such social values lead to the development of an attitude of intellectual snobbishness. The elimination of this attitude is important to the nursing profession if capable leadership is to be achieved. An example of the current force of this attitude is noticed in the increasing demand that supervisory and administrative nursing personnel have at least a baccalaureate degree. Yet, this policy will exclude nondegree nurses from developing into positions of leadership, and the hospital will fail to develop some fine nurse leaders for the future. To lead a nursing group, the successful nurse supervisor must understand situations in which she is involved. This requires a keen interest in her associates and an understanding of their philosophy of nursing. If a head nurse permits herself to become inordinately proud of her intellectual achievements she lacks a sympathetic understanding of both personnel and patients, and soon is ineffectual as a leader.

Formal education of nurses stresses the need for each student to develop a high degree of technical proficiency in her work. This leaves little time for her to acquire an understanding of the organization and administrative techniques required by a successful head nurse. During her undergraduate years a student seldom has an opportunity to become a charge nurse. Consequently she does not usually acquire the practical knowledge that comes only with the experience of solving problems of organizing personnel and equipment. If such an experience could be provided during the last part of the senior year, and tightly controlled by a preceptor type of instruction, student nurses would have a better understanding of a head nurse's responsibility. A student trained by this method is more likely to make proper operating decisions and to develop a leadership personality.

A successful nurse administrator knows what is expected of her and how to achieve cooperation within the nursing department and with the other departments of the hospital. She must be aware of the ways in which she can influence attitudes and develop interest in achieving the objectives of the department through the use of her own personality and persuasive powers. In the hustle and bustle of daily nursing routines, and with changes in medical techniques and rapid personnel turn-

over, the long-range goals of nursing frequently are obscured. A continual task of the administration is the definition of these objectives in terms of their application to everyday problems. If this is done personnel will be aware of the goals of the hospital and how their work contributes to this accomplishment. Clearly defined objectives arouse the sympathy and interest of nursing personnel and determine the success of the department. If there is a considerable amount of bickering and indecision in a nursing department, there has usually been a lack of skill in defining goals. Consequently, there is a lack of discernment in separating important from unimportant work. When such a situation prevails internal and external cooperation rapidly decreases in the nursing service. Interdepartmental and intradepartmental communications become restricted and the work situation becomes progressively more unstable.

#### WORK LOAD WAS TOO HEAVY

The following example shows the value of the everyday job of defining immediate objectives for a nursing unit. A well trained head nurse was responsible for a medical and surgical unit that was running at more than capacity. This situation prevailed on all nursing units, but on this particular one it was noticeable that the personnel turnover was the highest of any nursing unit. Complaints were continually made by the employees and there appeared to be general job dissatisfaction. It was apparent that the quality of nursing care was lower than should have been expected under these conditions. On studying the nursing unit it was found that the head nurse was not giving explicit instructions to each member of her team. With the extra work load such instructions became more important than ever, and her failure to give them resulted in the work's falling unevenly on the nurses and creating pressures. The complaints were symptoms of this fact.

With the previous discussion in mind it becomes necessary to consider the skills desirable in a nurse leader. These skills must be recognized and encouraged if adequate leadership is to result.

The most important skill of a nursing leader is an ability to arrive at a decision that can be put into operation. To do this she must have the ability to collect facts, evaluate them, and make a decision. To avoid or pro-



crastinate on necessary decisions is to fail to give the direction required for maximum efficiency of the nursing staff. This may result in an undermining of its confidence and cooperation. When decisions are made it must be remembered that unnecessary ones will thwart the initiative and imagination of the nursing personnel.

Next in importance is a sense of responsibility: the higher the required standards of performance (owing to increased use of intravenous solutions, antibiotics, and so on), the more necessary it becomes to supervise the employees of the nursing unit. As the level of performance increases a commensurate feeling of responsibility must be developed. This feeling of responsibility may become a point of irritation within the nursing service, frequently at the head nurse level, where medical knowledge and administrative responsibility merge if established policies are not carefully followed. Probably the most frequent source of difficulty for the head nurse is caused by a physician's failing to follow administrative regulations of the medical staff. For example, if a physician fails to write the diagnosis for a patient with a communicable disease, such as tuberculosis, and the head nurse recognizes this as a possibility she is faced with a dilemma caused by divided responsibility. From the medical standpoint a nurse should not diagnose, and yet on the administrative side she is responsible for the protection of her nursing unit personnel. The solution to this situation will cause her to feel considerable pressure and tension before she reaches a decision.

#### HE MUST BE OBJECTIVE

A third skill of leadership is the proper use of personality by nurse leaders. If used properly it will go far in eliminating those obstacles created by prejudiced attitudes and cross-purposes which interfere with the success of the job at hand. One quality of personality which should be mentioned separately is emotional stability. To maintain confidence, coordination and effective communication a nurse leader must remain objective, even though daily pressures and tensions create a desire to jump to conclusions or to vent emotions on her employees.

A nurse leader's intellectual skill may develop through education and training. This quality aids in attaining a position of leadership, but it must be reinforced with an ability to make

decisions, a sense of responsibility, and an attractive personality. Intellectual capacity cannot be substituted for any of these other essential skills.

From a review of present educational programs for student nurses, and in view of the responsibilities and authority they assume upon graduation, it appears that several changes should be made in the traditional curriculum if present and future needs of hospitals are to be met. High nurse turnover, increased use of auxiliary personnel, and a shortage of R.N.'s make urgent the development of adequate team leaders, charge nurses, head nurses, supervisors and nurse administrators.

A realistic approach to these problems is to consider a basic change in the curriculum of nursing education in hospital and university programs. The schools must recognize, of necessity, that nurses must be trained as leaders. In the last year of their edu-

cation emphasis on technical proficiency must not remain the primary objective. Student nurses should be required to select a field of specialized training prior to their senior year. For those who select hospital nursing the curriculum should be planned for a work situation where they are taught to direct other people on a nursing unit. This can be accomplished through classes in ward management which are based on the technics of good management and organization. The program should be based on the principles of administration as they apply to nursing and not vice versa. This can be carried out by a preceptor type of arrangement during the student's last year of clinical experience. The development of student nurses into nurse leaders will be accelerated by the adoption of this method, resulting in a more efficient nursing service and a higher quality of nursing care for patients.

#### A realistic program is needed

### When Western Medicine Goes East

AN INTERESTING inquiry into the effects of the introduction of advanced Western medical science, to mid and far east communities, appears in "Western Medicine and Eastern Peoples" by A. Leslie Banks, professor of human ecology at Cambridge. The article appears in the Aug. 11, 1951, issue of *Lancet*.

Setting up an imaginary country of "Nomansland" Dr. Banks describes the effect of the latest advice from any or all of a dozen health commissions. No attempt is made to correlate the medical program with the basic economy of the country or its socio-cultural milieu. Instead an attempt is made to force a pattern of health developed in and suited to an industrial-urban culture upon a country whose basic economy is agricultural and whose religious and cultural patterns are village centered.

Beautiful modern hospitals are erected, despite a complete absence of nursing staff; elaborate statistical evaluation is attempted even though the total population or even the total number of villages is unknown; modern

sanitation and preventive medical programs are instituted and immediately disturb the balance between high birth and high death rates. The immediate result of the programs is to further socio-economic disturbances. Malnutrition becomes even more prevalent as the population increases and the food supply remains constant. "Streptomycin is a wonderful drug," the author maintains, "but is useless for a boy who lives on bread and has never tasted meat or milk. Streptomycin will not cure that boy's starvation."

The author pleads for a realistic village centered health program coupled with "improved irrigation, soil fertilizer, and the help of a plant geneticist in selecting the best strain of seed." Training programs in nursing, midwifery, must be substituted for the existing servitude of women. "Our most valuable contribution from the West, the author concludes, will be to place our vast experience in a training of doctors, nurses and other health workers at the disposal of the eastern peoples."—JOHN D. THOMPSON.

# Time and Motion Studies in the OPERATING SUITE

## THE RECOVERY ROOM

THE nursing service in the recovery room is of an extremely critical nature. For the nurse it is a strenuous assignment. Therefore, in the interest of the patient during this critical period and to ease the work load of the nurse, every effort should be made to provide an arrangement of facilities that produces maximum efficiency.

Using by way of example a capacity of seven beds and basing our thinking on observations and flow studies made in recovery rooms, we first want to divide the room into five areas as noted at right under "Space Allocation." Space for circulation and patient transfer must obviously be in the center. Next in importance are the services

They should, therefore, be as central as possible.

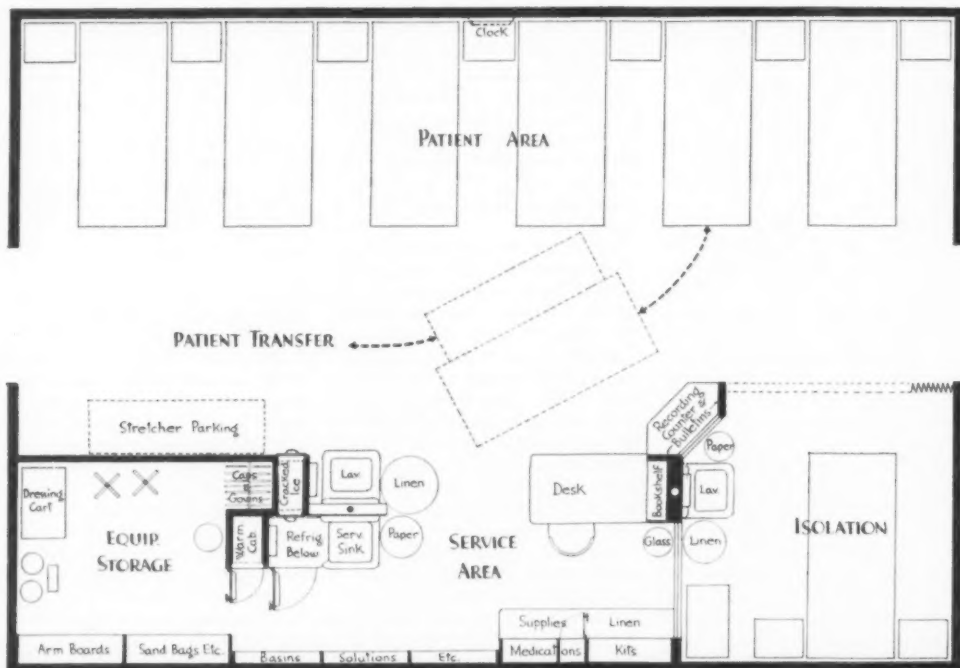
The recovery room nurse covers considerable mileage during a day's work. However, not only should travel be reduced for the nurse's benefit but there are frequent emergencies when she must get to a patient's side with great speed.

Two factors will help: (1) spacing the beds no farther apart than is necessary for proper service (we have assumed 24 inches for between-bed space although some nurses use by preference a space of only 20 inches); and (2) eliminating doors wherever possible because opening and closing them is time consuming during emergencies,

and swing conflicts can introduce hazards.

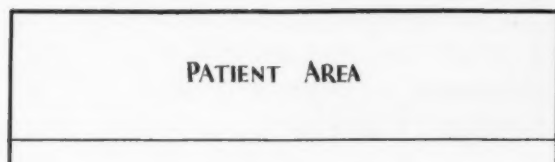
Equally important is unobstructed visibility from any work station. Note that in the example worked out here there are five work stations. From any one of these five stations, the nurse can keep an eye on any or all patients. In addition, these work stations are approximately equidistant to the center of gravity of the bed area.

In existing recovery rooms, one finds many often used items located at the end of the room. Obviously, time could be saved if these items were somewhere near the center of the room. It is sometimes difficult to locate every piece of equipment ideally but as-

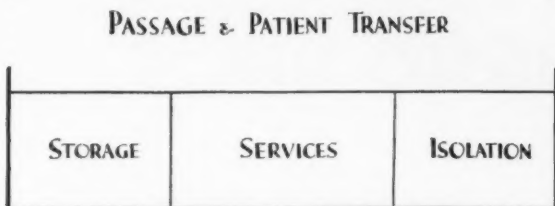


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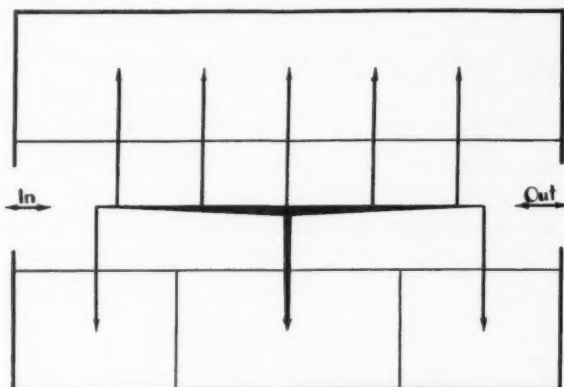


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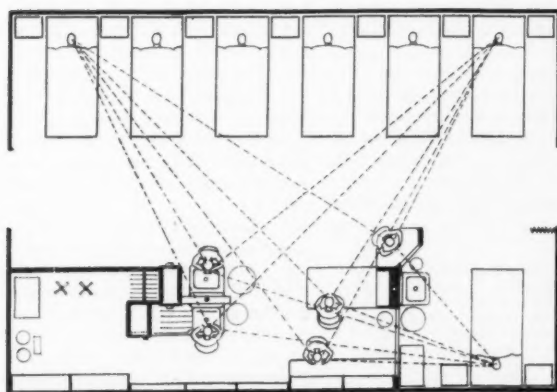


PASSAGE & PATIENT TRANSFER

SPACE ALLOCATION



TRAFFIC FLOW



SIGHT CLEARANCES

With Reference to Visibility From Work Stations

siduous study and some ingenuity can accomplish it. The items we have especially in mind are such things as lavatories, soiled linen hampers, and a bulletin board where the O. R. schedule is posted for quick reference.

The hypothetical example illustrated here shows that it is possible to bring these items fairly close to the center of the room.

Another serious deficiency of most recovery rooms is lack of storage for apparatus and other bulky items. Such things as arm boards, sand bags, I.V. poles, and oxygen tents should have an easily accessible space set aside specifically for them. In addition, apparatus of one kind or another tends to increase in hospitals so a certain amount of extra space should, if possible, be allowed for normal expansion.

#### WRITING STATIONS NEEDED

Most recovery rooms provide no desk for the nurse. It is true that there is not a great deal of paper work to do and nurses questioned say they can manage without one. However, if for no other reason than to give the nurse a legitimate chance to sit down for a change with an opportunity to relax, a desk is certainly desirable.

There is, however, another place for writing which a recovery room needs that seems never to be provided. That is a place where entries can be made on charts while the nurse is standing. The need for making these entries often occurs at critical moments when there is no time to sit down. They are literally made on the run. There is still a question in our own minds whether even this arrangement is adequate. It may be that every bed should have its own writing station so that the time interval between observations and recording would be reduced to practically zero. If the nurse first has to walk to a writing station, there is a chance for error from some distraction. Further studies will be of interest on this point.

Another item not at all satisfactory is the bedside table which acts as a storage place for certain items and as a work area. As the former, the conventional table is rather meager, too low, and is needed on both sides of a bed. It also functions poorly as a storage unit. These items are mentioned to emphasize the need for further study. Such studies are made difficult in most recovery rooms by the fact that the facilities generally provided are so lacking in essentials that refinements are not yet possible to evaluate.

# A British Administrator Touches

## the PHILOSOPHER'S STONE

SCATTERING pearls of philosophical wisdom is commonly associated with men approaching their dotage. Rarely does the expression of a man's life-long experience contain crystals of brilliance or gems of lucid beauty. Too often it is a murky sediment composed of equal parts banality, bathos and pompous drivel.

However, in an address before the Sheffield Institute of Hospital Administrators and published in the *Lancet* for July 5, 1952, as "A Philosophy of Hospital Administration," Stephan Taylor, M.D., surveys his career of administrative experience in nine English hospitals with profound insight and judicious clarity. Although the basic techniques of administration, in his opinion, are the same for all large-scale group activities, the hospital administrator, by virtue of his unique position, has the power to do considerable good or immeasurable harm.

### HE IS AN ARTIST

The great administrator is a creative artist with true humility, a spirit of adventure and an inner driving force to get things accomplished. He is an individual who puts the patient in the center of the picture and leaves no room for snobbishness, pomposity, false values or magnification of the trivial. He is a man of speech and action who refuses to be desk-chained, who is ready to take risks, who is "the exact opposite of respectability, of playing for safety, of pensionitis and all the other signs of a desire to gain security in a changing world and sell his soul for a mess of rather dull potage." The bad administrator can be a nuisance or even a menace for he can create malice, frustration and hatred. He is an individual who shows symptoms of important-itis, who creates over-large staffs to hide his incompe-

tence, who over-administers by prying into the work of his subordinates and colleagues and who is, more often than not, lazy.

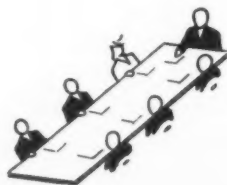
Evaluating the common factors in administration, the author places foremost in importance the handling of the many personal problems and difficulties arising in large groups. In dealing with human problems, employees should be made to feel that their jobs are important to the hospital, that a full day's work will leave little or no time for fancied complaints and dissatisfactions and that the door must always be kept open for group negotiation. Other factors mentioned include the planning of departmental structures with almost complete autonomy but controlled broadly by central authority; factors relating to finance, supplies, storage, purchasing, taxes, rates and the other myriad functions of a hospital. Last, the medical audit, which is an evaluation of the hospital's medical service, is brought under scrutiny. Doctors' resentments against the administrator should be regarded as an understandable reaction against their autonomy but the medical audit of each individual physician is best done by a medical board composed of chiefs of services, as practiced in American hospitals. The author also advises that any hospital of over 600 beds is too large and may suffer from spontaneous disruption and that to

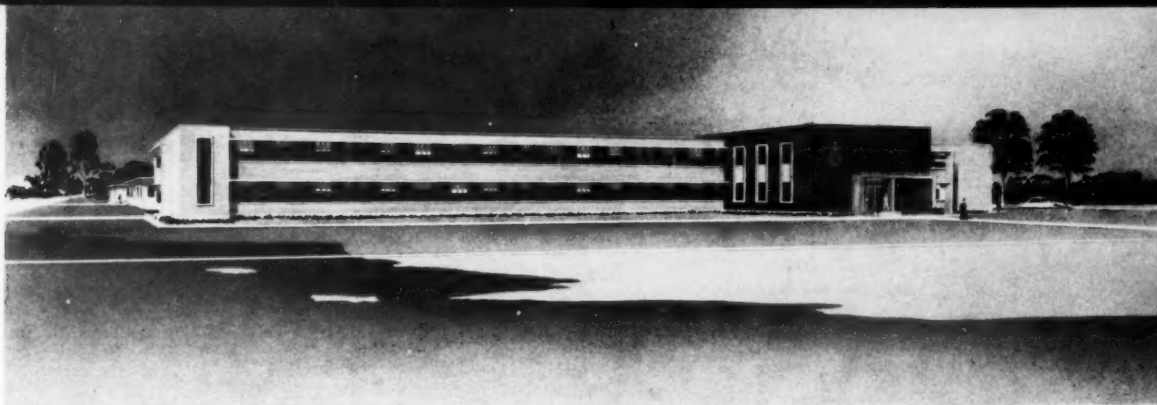
ensure definitive action, a hospital executive committee or board should be composed of not more than seven members instead of the usual groups of 30 which too often tend to wallow in disagreement and stagnation.

Obviously, the job of the administrator is to make things tick. But, he must also be wary of "empire builders" and "be able to distinguish the good man faced with a genuine need for expansion from those who desire to build for the sake of self-importance." Significantly enough, some of the greatest scientific works were done in humble environments. Creative scientific work can be accomplished with small expenditures of money and materials. Marble magnificence often indicates something second rate and probably the elaboration of an individual's self-glorification.

### PRIVILEGE MUST BE EARNED

In similar vein, the author points his finger at the English physician who regards himself as a privileged character because of his professional position and his exceptionally high cash rewards which set him apart from the rest of the community in a sterling-plated tower of isolation. "But," he warns, "privilege is to be earned and won by service, and each generation of doctors must earn and win it anew." Quality of service is, then, the very essence of a man's performance and the administrator who seeks superlative achievement, who wishes to establish a tradition for succeeding generations to follow, must adopt a philosophy of open-mindedness, adaptability and humanity in his service to mankind. Only thus will he avoid the mire of mediocrity and the despair of defeat.—S. W. FRIEDMAN, D.D.S., assistant director, Montefiore Hospital, New York City.





KING'S DAUGHTERS HOSPITAL, YAZOO CITY, MISS.

## THE MODERN HOSPITAL OF THE MONTH

# *This Hospital Has All the Elements*

THE 60 bed King's Daughters Hospital at Yazoo City, Miss., has been planned to meet the excellent departmental suggestions described in "Elements of the General Hospital" as published by the Division of Hospital Facilities, Public Health Service. With the fine cooperation of the local hospital board of trustees and staff the planning proceeded in accordance with the program prepared by the Mississippi Commission on Hospital Care.

All facilities have been designed for a 90 bed hospital. The additional 30 bed nursing unit may be placed over the rear one-story service department wing when the future need arises. The location of the building on the site has also provided for the future addition of an outpatient department on the north end of the building adjoining the adjunct diagnostic and treatment facilities.

The planning of this hospital, with most of the rooms in the two-story section stacking, makes for an economical mechanical system. The toilet rooms are one above the other and adequate chases are provided, thus simplifying the plumbing system.

The operating and delivery suites are on the second floor which simplifies the air exhaust system required in the air conditioning system for these rooms. The air conditioning required

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for the operating and delivery suites is handled by an air handling unit located near the suites and supplied with chilled water from the water chiller in the boiler room. Steam is supplied to the preheat and reheat coils to handle heating and humidity control. Each conditioned room has individual control even though it is being supplied by the same machine.

Lighting is of the incandescent type in corridors and patient rooms, as well as in adjunct, surgical and service areas. Corridor lighting is by flush recessed fixtures in areas available to the public. Patient room lighting is produced by

a bracket over the lavatory, switched at the door, and a special extendable wall bracket over the bed. The latter is adjustable for indirect lighting of the room, as a reading or doctor's examination light. Cast aluminum louvered night lights are placed in each bedroom, switched at the door. All switches in patient rooms or in rooms adjoining bedrooms are the silent mercury type.

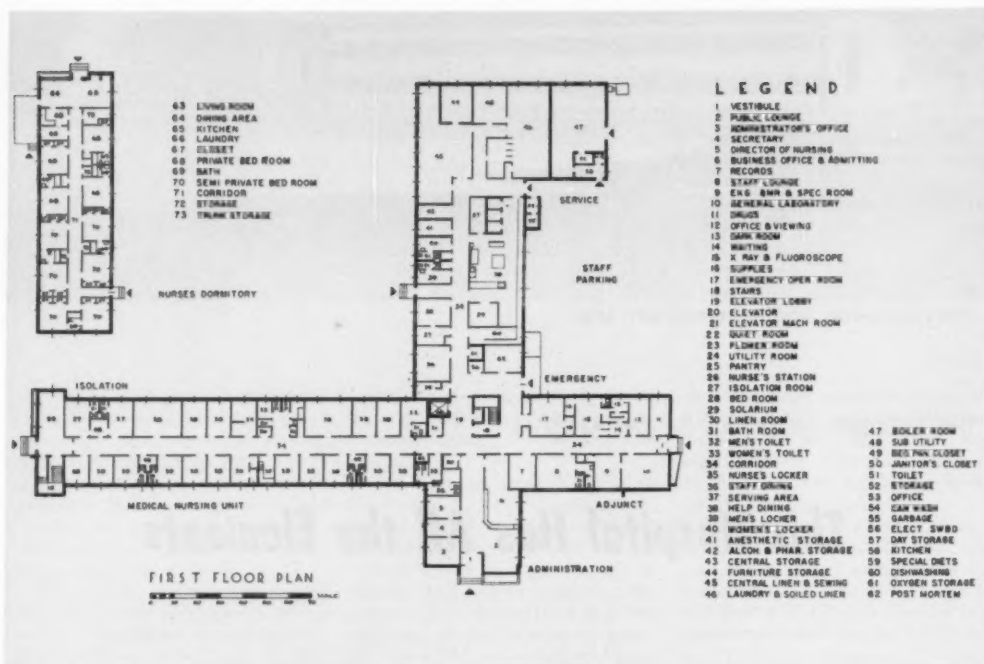
A complete nurse call system has been provided with annunciator at each nurses' station. Doctors' paging system is provided by a coded chime signal controlled by the PBX operator. Clocks are synchronous, automatically regulated wire system, controlled by master clock in the business office.

The administrative offices are grouped in the area adjoining the main lobby and main entrance. The lobby and waiting room are controlled by the information counter and have direct access to the admitting office and business office through cashier's window or counter. The information counter and telephone switchboard are arranged as one unit for handling by one person. The administrator's office is accessible to all other offices but located so as to have privacy.

The director of nurses' office is convenient to the administrator's office. The business office provides general of-

Estimated total project cost including Group I Equipment (General Construction, Mechanical and Electrical Construction, Kitchen Equipment, Laundry Equipment and Sterilizing Equipment):		\$660,000.00
Cost per bed:		\$11,000.00
Cost per square foot:		19.41
Cost per cubic foot:		1.59
Total square foot area:		34,000
Square foot area per bed:		567





office space for the clerical staff and equipment.

The medical records room is accessible from the admitting office, which in this case is a combination secretary's and admitting office.

Patients' room numbers and directional signs are provided throughout the hospital for all rooms and departments.

The nursing department consists of two nursing units of approximately 30 beds each, approximately 60 per cent of the rooms private and 40 per cent semiprivate. Four rooms have private baths, 10 have toilets with lavatories. All semiprivate rooms have lavatories. The auxiliary service facilities in the nursing unit require one-eighth to one-fourth of the total unit area and include the utility room, nurses' station, linen closet, floor pantry, waiting room or alcove for visitors, and space for parking wheel chairs and stretchers.

Each utility room has a clean and dirty section and is centrally located. The nurses' station is so arranged that the head nurse can have control over personnel and visitors.

Isolation units are included for care of patients admitted with infectious or communicable disease.

Each nursing unit is furnished with

centrally located toilet room, bathroom and a bedpan closet.

Two separate toilets are provided in each of these units. Also included is a janitor's closet in each nursing unit, equipped either with a curb and receptor or a suitable sink. In the maternity nursing unit shower baths are provided instead of tub baths. Utility rooms, nurses' station, floor pantries and corridors are acoustically treated.

The nursery accommodates 12 normal newborn infants; it is connected to and served by a combination work space, examining room, and nurses' station. Access to the nursery can be gained only through this room. The

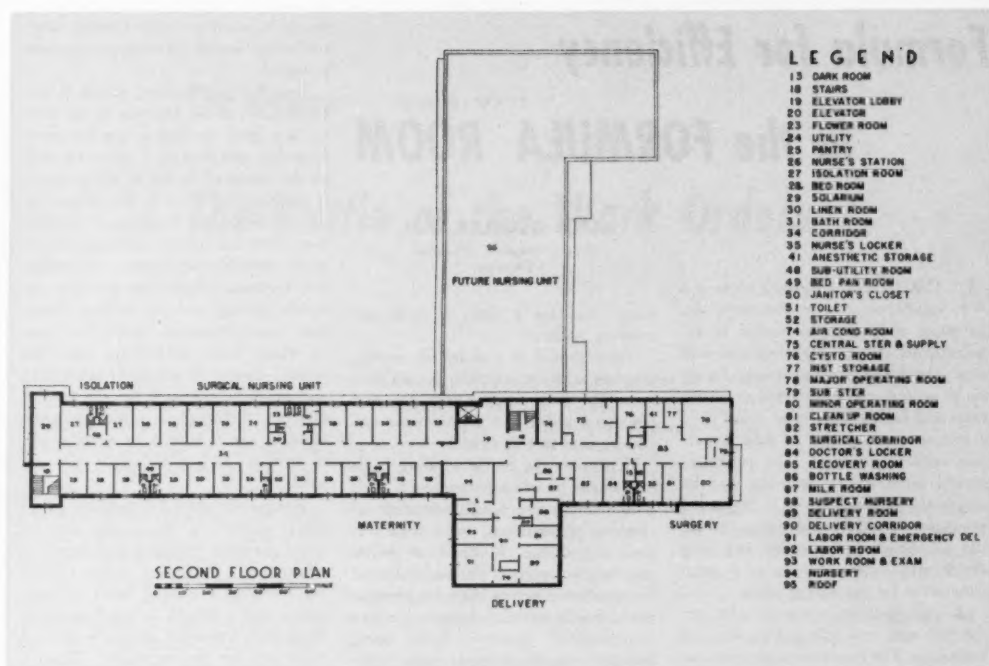
nursery is provided with viewing windows on the corridors and with glass partitions between nursery and work-examining room. A pass window also is provided for transfer of infants from the nursery to the work-examining room.

A suspect nursery houses three bassinets for the isolation of sick babies with anteroom and entrance direct from the corridor.

The infant formula room is located adjoining the nursery unit and designed to furnish all formulas and sterilizing facilities for infant feeding. Equipment includes a sterilizer that will carry 56 bottles of 4 or 8 ounces, as well as cabinets, counter with built-in sink and a bulletin board. Space is provided for hot plate, refrigerator and bottle washer.

The emergency department is located on the first floor at the ambulance entrance and consists of a vestibule and emergency operating room with a toilet and storage closet included. Space for parking stretchers is available. A marquee protects patients from the weather when they are taken from cars or ambulance. This room is equipped as a minor operating room, but scrub-up and utility facilities are in the emergency room.

The hospital presented here has been selected as The Modern Hospital of the Month by a committee of editors. Award certificates have been presented to the hospital, the architects and the state officials. A similar award will be made by The Modern Hospital each month.



One major operating room and one minor operating room are included and arranged so that there is no traffic through the suite. Either the emergency room or one of the operating rooms can be used for fracture work. One scrub-up alcove with two sinks serves both operating rooms.

There is one delivery room with one labor room. These are essentially similar to operating rooms in design, including protection against explosion hazards, and are provided with instrument cabinets, special obstetrical clock, obstetrical ceiling light, which is also on the emergency electric circuit, and space for portable light, suction apparatus, heated bassinet and other essential pieces of equipment. The delivery room also has acoustical ceilings. Scrub-up facilities are similar to those provided for the operating room. All sterilizing is supplied from central sterilizing.

Space is provided in the linen room for a desk, file cabinet, and sewing machine for the housekeeper. This area is located on the ground floor and is convenient to central stores. The central linen room is designed to furnish all linen supplies for the hospital.

Shelving is provided for daily distribution of housekeeping supplies and

a locked rack for the key control system is in this office. The small linen closets provided in the nursing units are sufficiently large to hold a supply for emergencies.

The linen room also has space for blanket storage, shelving and table space for mending, sewing and marking linen.

The food service department is located on the ground floor of the building convenient to the service entrance and central storeroom.

Tray service is centralized, all trays being set up completely in the main kitchen under the direction of the dietitian and transported to the patient area in insulated, heated tray trucks.

The main kitchen area comprises all space for food preparation (except special diets), serving area for trays, tray trucks, storage space, meat cutting and preparation, vegetable and salad preparation, and pot washing.

In planning the dishwashing room, we gave consideration to the traffic flow of soiled dishes from patients' and dining room areas, through the dishwashing process to dish racks and cabinets and thence back to tray serving and dining room areas. This room is treated with moistureproof acoustical

material. A day storage room adjacent to cooking and preparation areas is provided for nonperishable supplies.

In a hospital of this size, cafeteria service for personnel is considered desirable for efficiency and economy. The two dining rooms are designed to serve the staff at two sittings.

A central storeroom in the service area includes space for bulk pharmacy stores, furniture and mattress storage, and all medical, surgical, housekeeping, dietary, and administrative supplies and replacement not yet issued for use in the hospital.

A fire-safe separate area in the central storeroom provides for storage of reserve stock of anesthetics and oxygen and also for tax-free alcohol purchased in bulk.

A boiler and pump room contains facilities for the heating function and furnishes steam for sterilizing, laundry, cooking and domestic hot water. The maintenance shop is convenient to the boiler room inasmuch as the same person handles both activities.

#### EMPLOYEES' FACILITIES

Locker rooms with toilets and showers for male and female employees are located in the general service area of the hospital.

# Formula for Efficiency

## in the FORMULA ROOM

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**A**LTHOUGH the formula room is a small part of any obstetrical department it is essential that it be efficiently set up, well organized and well run. The formula room should be set up in accordance with board of health rules and regulations; most states have a section on formulas in their maternity department rules. The personnel should have special training and be under the supervision of a registered graduate nurse. An aide who can do the cleaning, wash bottles and help check and order supplies is a great time-saver for the charge nurse.

A well equipped room is necessary for the safe and efficient making of formulas. The room must be clean and light. Equipment should be easy to keep clean and should be stored in easily accessible, closed cupboards. An autoclave is necessary for sterilizing equipment and formulas. A refrigerator is an absolute necessity for storing milk and other supplies, e.g. nipples will last longer if they are stored in the refrigerator. A small stove should be present for any formulas that require cooking. Other equipment nec-

This is the first of two articles on essentials of the formula room.

essary includes a sink, a desk and working counters.

There should be a closet for storing supplies such as nipples, bottles and caps. The stock supplies of canned and powdered milks and supplements can also be kept in this closet.

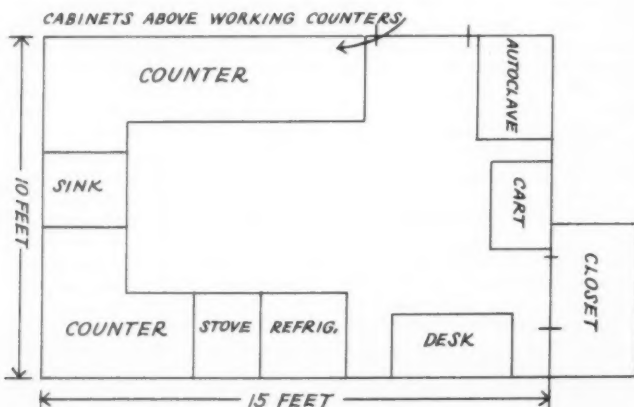
If possible the bottle washing facilities should be in a separate room. This is to prevent any possible mixture of cleaning powders and soaps with formula ingredients. Bottles from pediatrics or other units of the hospital must be autoclaved before they are brought to the bottle washing room to prevent contaminated material from being brought into the formula unit. After the bottles are washed and rinsed they are taken to the formula room.

Employees in the formula room should wear clean scrub dresses and cover their hair with some type of cap. Clean scrub dresses are worn so as to prevent possible contamination from uniforms which are worn in other parts of the hospital. The hair is also a source of contamination and must therefore be covered. While the formulas are being made the door must be closed to avoid contamination from

the outside. The hands and forearms should be scrubbed with a brush, soap and water before formula preparation is started.

Terminal sterilization, which is the sterilization of the formula in the bottle, is a good method to use for most formulas; this method is recommended by the board of health in some states. It is easier and there is less danger of contaminating the formulas or nipples than with the aseptic method, which is the separate sterilization of bottles and formula followed by pouring the sterile formula into the bottles. However some formulas (such as those to which lactic acid drops must be added) cannot be sterilized terminally and must be prepared by the aseptic method. Although it is not necessary in home use it is wise in hospital use to sterilize all bottles before they are used.

Equipment needed to prepare a formula includes a measuring cup or quart graduate (marked in ounces), a tablespoon, a measuring spoon, a knife for leveling, a mixing bowl or container, and a funnel. If the formula is made from a powder, an egg beater and a strainer are also necessary. When a quart graduate is used for measuring, the formula can be mixed in it, thus eliminating the need for a separate mixing bowl. To mix an evaporated milk, dextrose and maltose, and water formula, the water is measured first, then the dry ingredient is added and the mixture is stirred until it is dissolved. Warm water should be used to facilitate the dissolving process. After the prescribed amount of evaporated milk has been added and mixed well, the formula is ready to be poured into the bottles. When the formula is made from a powdered milk the prescribed amount of powder is dissolved. The formula should be strained before it is poured to get rid of any lumps that did not dissolve. After the formulas are mixed they are poured into the bottles, nipples and capped, then are autoclaved at 240° F. with 15 pounds' pressure for five minutes. The formulas should be cooled as quickly as possible; if they are allowed to stand at room temperature for too long there is danger of bacterial growth taking place. If possible they should be cooled at room temperature for 15 to 20 minutes and then placed in a pan of cold water until they are cool enough to be refrigerated. After the formulas have cooled they are taken to the nursery in a covered cart and refrigerated.



*The manager's team wins*

## **The Battle of the Work Orders**

**W**ORK orders — requisitions for maintenance, repairs and minor alterations—in a large institution can be either an excellent tool of management or, if improperly controlled, potentially one of the most costly of functions. When requisitions for these services are in excess of available manpower and funds, the problem becomes acute and the need for control imperative.

This hospital of 2000 beds had been functioning for some 20 years when, through a survey in 1948, it was found that there was a hopeless accumulation of literally thousands of work orders which had been submitted over the past years by various individuals in various departments. Some of the individuals who had requested these services were no longer employed here and changing conditions had rendered other requisitions obsolete.

### **CONFUSION BECOMES CHAOS**

It was at that time our policy to have those individuals desiring repairs, minor alterations or installation of equipment submit their requisitions to the engineer officer who, for the most part, approved such work orders and forwarded them to the appropriate artisan. In an overwhelming number of instances, the approval by the engineer officer was done in a perfunctory manner as he had no basis for disapproving them except when the work requested was definitely out of order so far as money, material and labor were concerned. When the submitting official did not obtain what he considered to be prompt or efficient ac-

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complishment of his request, a duplicate or triplicate order was submitted with the notation "Second Request" or "Third Request." This succeeded in converting confusion into chaos and further increasing the backlog of requests.

The survey revealed that with the change of operating officials in various units, such as physicians, nurses and others, many requisitions for minor alterations would undo the work requested by the previous occupants of these positions; that many requests were contradictory, confusing and too often unnecessary.

Each utility shop, such as carpenter, plumber and electricity, had a tremendous backlog of incomplete work orders and, as a result, when new work orders were received the artisan in charge was the sole judge as to which would be completed first. This placed these various individuals in the unfavorable position of being under pressure from various friends, associates and favorites. It also placed the artisan in a position of having to pass on which work orders should be completed for the better over-all operation of the hospital. It was obviously impossible for these employees to know the over-all needs of the patients and the hospital, with the result that, in many cases, the work orders selected for accomplishment were those which the respective operating utility could accomplish with the greatest ease or with the greatest personal satisfaction.

While the survey to this point had disclosed an entirely unsatisfactory condition which resulted in improper use

of materials and poor employee utilization, there appeared to be no practical solution to the difficulty. Further study disclosed there were three methods of carrying out work orders:

**1. The method of choice on the part of the operating utility.** Too often the operating utility would decide arbitrarily as to which work order it would execute and which it would delay purely on the basis of what its opinion and personal regard was concerning the individual requesting the work. If he was popular or highly placed, his request received prompt action. Only too often the case was reversed. An actual example of this procedure is demonstrated in the case of a physician submitting a request for repairs in his unit, and after a long period of waiting noticing the same type of work being accomplished in another unit although the request for his work had been submitted months previously.

**2. The method of chronological order.** By this method the operating utility attempted to be fair and felt it would carry out all requests in the order in which they were received, regardless of whether the work order required a great deal of time, labor and money, or whether it was a minor repair requiring little time and effort. Also disregarded was the urgency since the operating utility in its desire to be fair felt it was unable properly to evaluate this factor and strictly carried out the request on a first come, first served basis.

An example of this is a physician who took over a ward and needed an

electric outlet in order to provide the necessary services to his patients. After a period of 60 days it was impossible for him to discharge the responsibility of his specialist duties because of the lack of adequate source of electricity. The physician attempted to investigate this and was informed that he must wait for the completion of this item until such time as all previous requests had been accomplished.

**3. The method of importance.** According to this method the operating utility felt it should comply with the various work orders and requests on the basis of the importance of such requests. It was at once apparent that the determination as to the relative importance of the request could not be made because of the lack of information concerning the over-all activities on the various wards and buildings.

Experience has amply demonstrated that the method of choice on the part of the operating utility, the method of chronological order, and the method of importance as solutions to the work-order problem were neither feasible nor efficient. Under any one of these methods of handling work orders the attitude soon developed that it was hopeless to comply with all requests and only too frequently the only action taken was to disregard them.

#### REVIEWED THOUSANDS OF ORDERS

The first step in bringing order out of the chaos was to review thousands of work orders which had accumulated in order to eliminate the outdated ones, the duplicates and the undesirable ones. A committee, consisting of the manager (hospital administrator), assistant manager, chief, professional services, and engineer officer inspected each of these pending work orders, eliminated a great many, and assigned priority numbers from 1 to 3 to the remaining. This was extremely difficult because of the building and room designations, and could not be adequately done without actual inspection of the site. However, it was felt that even with these drawbacks, it was worth a trial, so priorities were assigned and as a result of this, the various operating units were aware of what assignments they were expected to complete and the order of priority.

At this point it was felt that some progress had been made, but a short period of operation in this procedure of assigning priorities revealed that this method was also unsatisfactory and did not lend itself to a solution.

At a conference of hospital administrators at this time, one of the leading hospital engineers in this country frankly admitted that he knew of no other method but to accept the work orders as they were received and "do the best you can." However, when it appeared that we were running into a dead end in our quest for a solution of this problem, there was being developed another important change in the hospital administration which was to become an important factor in solving the problem.

The practice was established of the manager's making rounds on one hospital activity at the beginning of each work day. It at once became apparent that problems of three types were presented to the manager: first, those that dealt directly with patient care and were within the province of the chief, professional services; second, those having to do with minor repairs and alterations to the wards and buildings, and third, those having to do with personnel administration.

The problems arising from the personnel administration were the subject of a previous communication.\*

Those problems arising on the rounds having to do with professional services were in many cases solved by having the chief, professional services accompany the manager on rounds. Those concerning repairs and alterations presented a greater problem and resulted in the engineer officer or his designate being invited to participate in rounds in order that problems and needed repairs and alterations which were indicated could be investigated on the spot by these individuals who would have first-hand knowledge of the nature of the problem and, because of the continuing rounds which reach all areas, first-hand knowledge of the over-all problems of the hospital.

In practically every instance, by consultation on the spot with the chief, professional services, and the engineer officer, the decision could be reached as to whether the particular repairs or alterations were desirable, whether funds were available for their accomplishment and whether or not this should be attempted as a hospital-wide practice. Instead of accomplishing hospital-wide alterations piecemeal, under this system by proper management it was found practical to do these on a production basis.

\*Baganz, C. N., Fish, I. C., Clayton, R. C.: Supervisory Conferences. Hospitals, 24:49 (August) 1950.

As an example of this, it was felt that with the installation of a new type of nurse's desk it was necessary to have a small shelf for a telephone. Rather than accomplish this on an individual work order from each ward, feasibility of such an installation was acknowledged and these shelves were made on a production basis and installed throughout the hospital according to a plan. Thus it developed that our solution to the problem of the work order had been delivered to us. From this time on, no orders were submitted except to the manager's team with the exception of those of a truly emergency nature.

At the time of the arrival of the manager's team, requests which were accumulated were submitted, investigated and either approved or disapproved on the spot. Work orders were numbered and when supplies were required to complete these work orders the request number was placed on the order and the order number was placed on the requisition. Each work order was assigned a "due date" for completion and prior to the next visit of the manager's team, a report was submitted to this team as to whether the work had been accomplished or not and what progress had been made toward its accomplishment.

A folder was developed for each unit and this folder contained the complete history of what was accomplished regarding each of these repairs and alterations.

#### RESULTS ARE SPECTACULAR

The results of this procedure have been most gratifying and almost spectacular. The various utility units are no longer flooded with work orders from all areas of the hospital. All requests for repairs or alterations reach these operating units only after the approval of the manager with the full knowledge of the engineer officer and the concurrence in the need by the chief, professional services.

The engineer officer was, in turn, kept fully aware of the work load of the various utilities and these utilities were no longer under the personal pressure of friends and persons in higher echelon or authority. Our experience with this system has demonstrated that it controlled the source of the work order, which we feel is the only manner in which the work order problem can be mastered. Second, the work load was kept under constant surveillance and control consistent with



the capacity of the operating utility. Third, the requesting officials were always told whether their request had been approved or rejected and, if rejected, the reason for the rejection was given. The operating units were always aware of the status of their requests. Fourth, the type of work accomplished in the hospital was that which was most essential and provided the greatest increase in the welfare of the patients.

As might be expected, there was considerable resistance to this plan on the part of the various artisans in the

operating utilities after its inauguration. In a few cases there was resentment to what was considered to be a loss of prestige because they were unable to pick and choose the type of work they wanted to do. Continued experience with this system, however, has caused the resentment largely to disappear and the various artisans in the operating utilities now find that they are no longer under pressure, that their work load is more reasonable, that they can utilize personnel more efficiently because planning makes this possible, and that they are expected

to do the possible not the impossible.

One disadvantage which was more apparent than real, and which actually proved to be an advantage, was that it required the time of three of the top level officials of the hospital to make these daily rounds. However, since the primary purpose of the rounds was not the problem of the "work order" but to observe the activities in the various areas and furnish advice, guidance and assistance, it was felt that with this solution of the problem of the work order the manager's team was more than justified.

## HOSPITAL LICENSING PROGRAM

*accentuates the optimum in operating standards*

A STATE licensing agency should perform three main services. The first of these is defining by legislation what constitutes a hospital or a nursing home. Such a service should be very welcome to those institutions that want to provide really good service to patients, just as the licensing of physicians, nurses and other groups is a contribution to the professions licensed as well as to the general public.

The second service the licensing program can perform is the establishment and enforcement of minimum standards of operation. This compels the unethical or substandard institution to raise its level of practice to the required minimum standards or cease to operate. After the licensing program is in effect, persons planning to open a hospital or a nursing home do not go ahead unless they seriously plan to provide a reasonably safe quality of care. In addition, the established minimum standards for licensure serve as an educational guide for all institutions.

The defining of what constitutes an institution by statute and the establishment and enforcement of minimum standards for operation for all institutions coming within the scope of the act are the parts of a total program

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for good hospital and nursing home care that can be met only by a licensing program.

The third service is to cooperate with the groups concerned with hospitals and nursing homes in their efforts to raise the standards of care and practices in these institutions. A licensing agency will find many opportunities to work with hospital and nursing home administrators and the professional groups concerned with the programs of care for patients in these institutions.

In order for an official agency to provide these services effectively, it must give serious consideration to the goals of its programs and the plan of administration. The following procedures and methods are recommended as basic to good administration of a licensing program:

1. A representative advisory council. In Indiana we have an eight-member licensing council, consisting of four hospital administrators, one physician, one nurse and two ex officio members, one a member of the state department of public welfare, and one a member

of the state board of health. The Indiana State Board of Health, through a hospital licensing council, has the responsibility for licensing all general and special hospitals except mental hospitals. The mental hospitals are licensed by the Indiana Council for Mental Health, and the nursing homes are licensed by the state department of public welfare. Our hospital licensing council passes on all applications for licensure, reviews and advises us in regard to all major policies relating to the administration of the hospital licensing program, and considers all serious problems that arise in regard to institutions under the program. Our council has been a great help to us as well as to the hospitals.

2. Treat all applicants with fairness and in such a way that they know they are being dealt with fairly. This procedure should be followed with substandard and borderline institutions as well as with the really good institutions.

A method we have used successfully in Indiana has been to invite the owners or administrators in for a conference with the council when our surveys showed major noncompliances with regulations which the institutions have no plan to meet. In such cases we advise the administrators of these institutions of the points that are not in com-

pliance and tell them we will present our report to the council. We further tell them that the council would like a firsthand report from them in addition to ours in order that they can get as complete a picture of the institution as possible. We also point out that the council will want to know from the administrators what plans they have for meeting the regulations.

There have been 74 conferences in six years under our hospital licensing program. These conferences have given the council a better insight into the problems confronting hospitals, and also the persons who have come before the council with special problems have appreciated the consideration afforded them. As a result of this procedure, the council's decisions have been accepted very well even by those whose license applications have been denied.

3. Develop a means for providing the council a graphic picture of each institution which gives pertinent information and requires little time on its part to study. As a means to this end we have evolved an individual profile of each institution, which shows how it complies with each regulation, how it compares in this regard with the average compliance of all other institutions in the same size group, and also the institution's index of improvement from the previous years.

The profiles of the various hospitals are developed as a result of a statistical analysis of the data obtained at the time of the annual survey. The data can also be analyzed for such factors as compliance with the various regulations by size and type of institution. We find that this type of information is of great interest and importance to

voluntary groups, such as hospital, medical and nursing associations.

4. Encourage the evaluation of the administration of the licensing program by the institutions licensed. The Indiana State Hospital Association, at our request, has developed a program for the appraisal of our administration of the hospital licensing program. One evaluation was made early in the program, and another is under way at the present time. The evaluation is made by a specially appointed committee of the state association. This committee has prepared a questionnaire which is sent to all hospital administrators asking for their reaction to various procedures followed in our administration of the program and their recommendations for the improvement of the program. After the committee has received and tabulated the completed questionnaires, it meets with us and gives us its recommendations based on its findings. We find these recommendations very helpful.

There are certain steps that need to be taken on a national basis to assist state agencies in developing good, sound licensing programs. These are:

1. Establish the basic principles of safe care which are essential in the light of present medical knowledge, and use these principles as a guide for the development of comprehensive licensing regulations. Concepts of patient care are changing radically at the present time, and while we recognize some of the essential principles of safe care, others are not known.

2. Establish training and experience qualifications necessary for personnel on state licensing agency staffs for hospital survey and consultation work. At the present time, officials in the state agency have no established criteria to use as a guide for the selection of staff for this work.

3. Establish training programs for persons working on hospital licensing programs in order to assist them to measure institutions' compliance with regulations, and prepare them to give effective assistance to operators and personnel of institutions in meeting regulations.

4. Establish national voluntary approval programs for nursing homes comparable to the national hospital accreditation program in order to define and strive for an optimum level of care on a voluntary basis. A licensing program can only establish and enforce a minimum level of care essential for the safe care of patients.

## Public Relations Starts in the Cradle



THE Women's Guild of Utah Valley Hospital, Provo, Utah, recently held the second of what will become an annual baby alumni party. The first was held in 1950 but the 1951 party was cancelled because of a polio epidemic.

Invitations were issued to more than 1600 babies born between the time of the 1950 party and the date of the current party. Approximately 300 mothers, babies (and some older brothers or sisters) were present during the party from 3 to 5 p.m. A program of songs, dances, readings and other entertainment was offered. About 25 prizes, donated by local merchants, were offered to holders of

lucky tickets. The party was held on the lawn under the shade of apple trees and umbrellas.

At present each baby is enrolled and a miniature birth certificate is sent by the guild announcing the enrollment in the alumni organization. Two "piggy banks" are kept in the hospital by the guild in which contributions can be placed. Appropriate signs tell the story of the banks and how the money is used to purchase new equipment.

We feel that it is an excellent means of promoting good public relations.—JOHN H. ZENGER, administrator, Utah Valley Hospital, Provo, Utah.

# How to Buy **INSURANCE** for the hospital

## 4. LOOPHOLES IN THE INSURANCE PROGRAM

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**I**N MANY of the larger and older cities the current building laws provide that buildings of nonfireproof construction if damaged by fire or other peril to as much as 50 per cent of the value or area may not be repaired but must be totally demolished. In other localities the law may not be explicit, but will provide that the building inspector at his discretion may forbid the reconstruction of such a partially damaged building in the interest of public safety. Our observation has been that building commissioners and inspectors are kept aware of the public reaction to the too frequent fires in hospitals, schools, hotels, and other institutions where many persons congregate, and that they have a considerable power to regulate the alteration and repair of buildings which they must be expected to exercise at proper times.

### **INSPECTOR MAY REQUIRE CHANGES**

We cannot predict what may be ahead for any of our readers, or even tell any particular reader what the building laws of his particular area may presently provide, nor what the temper of the building inspector or of the community may be at some time in the future. But surely it will be a matter for prudent management to investigate. However, we can say that, unless otherwise specially provided in the contract, every insurance policy obligates the company to pay only the cost of repairing or of replacing the damage caused by the insured peril less the deduction for depreciation sustained by the damaged property.

Thus it may happen that, in addition to the deduction on account of depreciation, and a further deduction because the insurance is not equal to the warranted percentage of depre-

ciated value, there may be a further loss because of the enforced demolition of the remaining portion of the building which is not considered sufficiently fire-safe. Or, if the building inspector does permit the repair of the damage, he may require the construction of improved fire escapes, or the installation of sectional fire walls with automatic fire doors, or the installation of automatic sprinklers, all of which will be at the expense of the owners, since the insurance company will pay only the cost of restoring the damaged property to a condition like that which existed before the loss.

This situation would be disastrous to many hospital boards that may be burdened already with mortgage obligations and inadequate income, but it will not hurt in the least those boards that have had the wisdom to prepare for such a contingency. For an additional premium, usually 15 per cent of the rates applying to the building in question, the insurance companies will assume the risk of enforced demolition by adding a "demolition endorsement" to their policies, and then will pay for a total loss whether caused by the insured perils or by consequent enforcement of the building laws. This need be done only with reference to buildings of nonfire-resistive construction and only where there is reason to expect or to fear interference with repairing damage.

The insurance against enforced demolition is only a part of the solution because there is still to be considered the increase in the cost of so rebuilding or improving the structure that it will comply with the building laws. The problem here is to get a good estimate of what it will cost to erect a comparable building which will meet the minimum requirements of the law governing such an occupancy, and

what it will cost to duplicate the present building in the present type. Then a company must be found which will cover the difference.

In some rating jurisdictions the companies are permitted to attach to building policies a "demolition and increased cost of construction endorsement" for which a 33 1/3 per cent increase of rate is charged, and some such endorsements will be so worded that the company will pay the increased cost of superior construction only if the building is totally demolished and rebuilt, which is pretty "tricky." In other cases an endorsement can be obtained which is so worded that the company will pay the increased cost if any superior construction is required, such as fire exits or other fire protection. And it is often possible to get a lower rate for the excess cost of superior construction policy than is charged for the ordinary policy, since there should not be any surcharge in it for demolition and the possibility of being involved in an excess cost loss is less than in the normal policy.

### **COVERAGE FOR DEMOLITION COST**

This discussion will not be technically completed unless we point out that if the demolition clause is added to the building policies and the companies are obligated to pay the assured a total loss, they still are obligated to pay only the full cost of reproducing an identical building, either without deducting depreciation or less depreciation, according to how the policies are written, and this will leave the assured to pay the cost of demolishing the undestroyed portions and of clearing the site ready for the new construction. This can be insured by a special policy in an amount equal to the estimated cost of demolishing 50 per cent of the present structure.

This is the fourth of a series of articles on how to buy insurance for hospitals which began in the July issue of this magazine.

Most business managements recognize that any damage to their buildings or equipment would affect their earnings during the time required to restore the property damage. Depending upon the extent of damage, there may be a total stoppage of business, or a partial interruption, which may extend from a matter of hours to many months, and this may greatly reduce the earnings while still leaving the outgo for nonsuspendable expenses undiminished. Such a catastrophe can be insured at moderate cost.

#### **INSURANCE AGAINST INCOME LOSS**

Since many hospitals are nonprofit institutions, many managements have felt that business interruption insurance would be of no value to them. This is an erroneous conclusion, because even if there are no profits to be lost through suspension of services, there will surely be continuing expenses, such as the salaries of essential employees, and there may be necessary expense for heat, light and power, certain types of insurance, interest on borrowed money, and possibly other items; and such a policy will reimburse the management for any loss of profits and for the necessary expenses during the time of interrupted operations and to the extent that they would have been earned had no damage to the property occurred.

The medical director of a large hospital recently stated that if his hospital buildings were destroyed they would be out of business and all expenses would cease, so he would not gain any benefit from business interruption insurance. This, we think, is an oversimplification. In the first place, most fires or explosions only partially damage the property, and are of a nature that temporary or complete repairs can be made soon enough so that most of the employees will be kept on the pay roll and other costs will be only partially reduced, even though there will necessarily be a reduction in receipts. And there may be a necessity for incurring some extraordinary increase in cost to keep the services near normal.

For example, a fire in the laundry might force the sending out of all work to a commercial laundry, thus increasing the expense. An explosion in the boiler room might make it necessary to rent and operate portable boilers in order to provide essential heating, and renting boilers is costly. The destruction of a wing of the hospital might reduce the bed capacity greatly and yet

not materially reduce the operating costs. Fires in an elevator penthouse or in an operating room or laboratory or in an x-ray machine might reduce the earning power of the hospital.

A properly drafted contract will provide for paying the assured, to the extent they would have earned had no interruption occurred, its actual losses of net profits and of continuing expenses, plus all authorized extraordinary expenses during the time required with due diligence to restore the damaged building and/or equipment when directly resulting from the insured peril.

The coverage is so well known in commercial operations, and the cost is so moderate, that to suffer a serious loss without the benefit of business interruption insurance might bring strong criticism on the board of directors and the manager. In one case recently studied the cost of such insurance to a limit of \$100,000 was only \$50 per year, in many cases the income from one private room for a few days. Such insurance has often been a lifesaver to businesses with mortgaged property and the mortgagee is entitled to claim the entire proceeds of the property loss paid by the insurance companies to apply against the mortgage, thus depriving the assured of funds with which to pay the cost of rebuilding; but where there is insurance to pay for the loss of earnings the mortgage is no problem.

#### **BOILER EXPLOSION INSURANCE**

Boilers and other pressure containers explode with more frequency, and do far greater damage, than is generally understood by the public. For example, in 1950 nine companies paid losses totaling more than \$8,800,000 for such losses and this is by no means the entire story. The fact that such accidents do not happen more frequently and do far greater damage is the result of the expert inspection and testing services which the insurance companies provide for the insured equipment, to discover developing defects and faulty operations before they result in accidents for which the companies must pay. The purchase of pressure vessel insurance is both a loss preventive and loss protection measure.

In spite of all efforts which can be made, damage often occurs. Recently in one plant the night fireman suddenly discovered that the water in the high-pressure boiler had become dangerously low; in his confusion he did

the wrong thing with the result that boiler plates and tubes were so badly damaged that it cost \$85,000 to repair the boiler. There was no explosion, and that was something to be grateful for, but the management was most grateful that it had purchased the form of policy, and in adequate amount, to cover that loss. Some terrible accidents have resulted from explosion of steam cookers in kitchens and from explosion of steam sterilizers.

A boiler explosion policy provides, first, for periodic inspections of each insured object; second, for payment of the cost to repair or replace any damage to any property of the assured which may be caused by the explosion of any insured object; third, for paying the cost of defending any claim or suit brought against the assured by anyone claiming that his property has been damaged by such an explosion, and, fourth, the company will pay that part of any damages awarded to persons not employed by the assured for injury resulting from such an explosion, which is in excess of the limits of his general liability insurance, but the total liability for any or all of these items will not be greater than the limit of the policy.

While the costliest accidents are those which result from the explosion of boilers and other objects arising from excessive internal pressure, steel boilers and steam jacketed cookers may suffer damage due to collapse resulting from vacuum, or bulging, or the burning of the shell or tubes, involving costly repairs. If the policy is written to provide "limited" coverage, that means that it will pay only for damage done by actual explosion of the boiler, whereas the "broad" form will also pay for these other forms of damage. Cast-iron boilers are also subject to possible cracking and leaking of one or more sections simply because of changes of temperature and the "broad" form of policy will pay the cost of the necessary repair.

#### **FIGURING POSSIBLE DAMAGE**

The explosive force of steam pressure at the rupture point of its closed container is terrific. Boilers and heavy objects have been hurled from their base through several walls and floors, or shot up into the air to land hundreds of feet away, involving not only great damage to property of the owner and injury to his employees, but also damage to adjacent property and to the person of others. Fire insurance will



pay for any resultant fire damage, but only the boiler explosion policy will pay for the direct explosion damage.

It is impossible to fortell the extent of damage which may be done by a boiler explosion, but it will be well mentally to start at the location of the object to be insured and think of it as a huge cannon about to fire a shell through your property in the direction which would do the greatest damage, and then estimate what it might cost to repair that damage. You must also consider what other property is within, say, 500 feet of the boiler house and allow for possible damage to any such property belonging to others. If you have large limits in your general liability insurance policy, that should take care of bodily injury claims caused by boiler explosion, so no additional amount need be included in the boiler policy.

#### **COST OF SUCH INSURANCE**

The cost of such insurance depends upon the nature and the number of the objects to be insured, the limit of liability, and several other factors, and this can be determined only by consulting the representative of the insurance companies. It can be stated that the higher the limit of liability the lower the cost per thousand dollars, since the cost of inspections remains constant, and the possibility of having to pay the limit of the policy becomes less the higher the limit.

Unlike fire insurance where the policy covers everything not excluded, boiler insurance covers only the objects the hospital elects to insure. Boilers, compressors, pressure containers like air tanks, sterilizers and pressure cookers do explode; revolving objects like flywheels on engines and centrifugal driers in laundries may explode; motors, generators and other electrical equipment may be damaged by short circuits and burnouts. There are numerous other possible causes of accidental mechanical damage, all of which may be covered by insurance on the basis of cost to repair or replace less depreciation, and to cover all or most of them will be expensive.

In our judgment, no property owner or lessee who operates steel boilers can afford not to buy boiler insurance; in fact the law of most states requires that if boilers are not insured by a licensed insurance company then the owner must pay the state the cost of inspecting them, and that cost will be nearly as much as the insurance pre-

mium without any indemnity's being afforded in case of accident. Steel boilers should be insured under a "broad" form of policy. Cast-iron heaters even though intended for low-pressure operation can explode if the safety valve or other protective devices should fail, but not with so great force; hence the cost of insurance is low, unless cracking is included; we recommend at least the "limited" form of policy for them. Other pressure containers, such as compressed air tanks, sterilizers, and steam cookers, should also be insured under at least the "limited" form of policy.

We do not recommend insuring against the breakdown or burnout of small motors and other objects which are readily replaceable or not costly to repair, except under conditions related to interruption of earnings. In between the objects which it is essential to insure and those not essential, there will be a wide range of motors, generators, refrigeration equipment, engines and flywheels of varying cost and insurance expense, all of which need to be studied by management, the mechanical superintendent, and the insurance company engineers to determine the relative importance of inspection, insurance and premium.

*Interruption of earnings by boiler explosion.* Damage caused by the explosion of a boiler can shut down the normal operations of a hospital and interfere with its earnings just as readily as can fire damage. In fact, a relatively small amount of damage may completely shut down the entire plant. For example, the bursting of a tube or the explosion of fuel gases in the firebox or uptake of the boiler may shut down the operation in cold weather and thus make it impossible to maintain essential heat in the hospital buildings.

It is possible to extend the boiler explosion and machinery breakdown policy by endorsement so as to provide a stated number of dollars for each day of total suspension of normal operation, and pro rata of such daily indemnity for partial suspension, for as long as the time required with reasonable diligence to restore the damage, or for the limit of the indemnity stated in the policy. The cost of such insurance will depend upon the limits of daily and maximum indemnity desired, and upon whether the indemnity is to begin at the time of accident, or whether the assured is willing to stand the loss for the first one, two, three

or more days, and then be indemnified for the loss of longer duration.

Considering that all hospitals which do not buy boiler explosion "use and occupancy" insurance are assuming all the risks of shut-down from accidents of every sort that can affect their heating and other mechanical equipment, and which they think of as something that can be restored in a few days, this type of insurance may be thought of as catastrophe cover, and may well be bought on the plan which suspends any indemnity for the first five days, and then becomes effective for the duration of the interruption, thus reducing the cost of the insurance considerably.

If the earnings of a hospital are fairly uniform throughout the year the fixed daily indemnity form of boiler explosion use and occupancy insurance for whatever amount the management may want to purchase will be satisfactory. However, if there is much seasonal or other variation in the earnings the "actual loss sustained" form of indemnity may be better, inasmuch as it will pay whatever the loss may be during the time required to restore the damage sustained by the insured object or by other property damaged by the explosion. In this case, the amount of earnings lost will have to be calculated on the basis of what the books show to be the rate of earnings under current conditions and during the same season of the previous year.

#### **WHERE SELF-INSURANCE IS BEST**

There are many, many ways by which property can be damaged or destroyed and normal operations and earnings interrupted, with varying effect upon the assets of the corporation, the continuity of employment, and the service to the community. Where the cost of repair can be predetermined and where it will not be serious, self-insurance is indicated, but prudent management must explore all possible channels of disastrous effect and then determine what risks to insure.

It is the obligation of the insurance companies to make the protection and indemnity available under proper and fair conditions. It is the responsibility of the insurance adviser to make sure that the contracts are so written that when the adjuster comes to apply their terms and conditions to the loss there shall be no controversy, denial of liability, or other bar to the prompt and satisfactory payment of the claim.



## They Made Hospital History

# JOHN and WILLIAM HUNTER - 1

*"The more we know of our fabric, the more reason we have to believe that if our senses were more acute and our judgment more enlarged, we should be able to trace many springs of life which are now hidden from us; by the same sagacity we should discover the true causes and nature of diseases, and thereby be enabled to restore the health of many who are now, from our more confined knowledge, said to labor under incurable disorders. By such an intimate acquaintance with the economy of our bodies, we should discover even the seeds of disease, and destroy them before they had taken root in the constitution." (William Hunter)*

**M**EDICINE and surgery at the time of the Hunters, William and John, had shaken off many of the old superstitions and crude practices but had not attained to the rank of a science.<sup>1</sup> Knowledge of these subjects consisted of isolated facts without systematic classification. Physiology, which treats of the function of the living organism, and pathology, the study of structural and functional changes caused by disease, were quite unknown until revealed in the anatomic schools of the Hunters. "It required genius of the highest order to place these branches of the healing art upon a just and enduring foundation."<sup>1</sup> There has never been any question regarding the genius of either of the Hunters, but pages have been devoted to arguments as to which one of the brothers excelled the other—as though one could ever set up a measure of genius. As Mather<sup>2</sup> has well said:

*"Genius is an irrepressible, innate power that asserts its presence in the world even under the most depressing and retractive influences. Genius is something in human nature so mysterious that it with difficulty admits of a precise definition. While ordinary powers advance by slow degrees, genius soars on rapid wings. . . . Undoubtedly they (the Hunters) had genius, but it was so tempered, so overspread*

*with the spirit of industry that there was the just balance, so rarely combined, which gives preeminence among mortals and ranks these gifted men among the greatest of human beings."*

John is usually conceded to have been the greater man, yet we must recognize the fact that when John entered the medical field, William, 10 years older, was already well established as an anatomist; furthermore he was John's first teacher. Also John lived and continued to work 10 years after William's death, building upon the knowledge they both had acquired. Certainly everyone will admit that John could scarcely have risen to the height he did without his brother's teaching and help. Many a man with an exceptional mind has failed to climb above the normal level because he has had no opportunity to enter the field in which he might have excelled.

In many important ways the Hunters were alike; in numerous ways, less important, they differed. "Both were in the most true sense of that time benefactors of the human race. Both labored, not only without public encouragement but in the face of the greatest difficulties and the most chilling and discouraging inattention, in teaching anatomy and physiology and the best principles of pathology upon a foundation solid and durable; and both devoted in the most disinterested manner the pecuniary means which the exercise of their profession supplied, not in procuring expensive luxuries, not in occupying large estates and erecting magnificent mansions, but in providing subsequent generations the means of anatomical instruction, upon the same solid foundations on which they had already built."<sup>3</sup>

William Hunter, born in 1718, was

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the seventh child of John and Agnes Hunter, who lived in Long Calderwood, 7 miles from Glasgow; his brother John was their tenth and last child, born in 1728, when the father was almost 70 years old. James, three years older than William, joined his brothers at William's school of anatomy and showed promise of becoming great in the field of "physic," but he died early of tuberculosis.

The greatest difference between William and John was in their educational background. William was a scholar. He entered the University of Glasgow at the age of 14, remaining there for five years, and in that time changed his mind about entering the ministry. He studied medicine with the illustrious William Cullen for three of the happiest years of his life (1737-40) and in the winter of 1741 studied in Edinburgh under Alexander Munro.

William Hunter was proficient in the Latin and Greek languages and studied the ancient writers. He was a brilliant and forceful lecturer and



JOHN HUNTER  
1728-1793

writer. John Hunter, on the contrary, had almost no schooling. After his father died when John was 10, his mother was evidently unable to keep him in school. John stated later: "When I was a boy I wanted to know all about the clouds and the grasses and why the leaves changed color in the autumn; I watched the ants, bees, birds, tadpoles and caddis worms. I pestered people with questions about what nobody knew or cared anything about." The statement that when John, at the age of 17, joined his brother-in-law, a carpenter in Glasgow, he could neither read nor write is no doubt an exaggeration. But he disliked books and rarely read any. When William died, he left a library of 12,000 volumes which cost him between £3000 and £4000 and contained the classics and other foreign literature of all previous centuries. John's library at his death sold for £160.

However much John disdained books, preferring the knowledge that comes from personal observation and experimentation, he realized his lack of formal education as he grew older. Whereas his bedside and clinical demonstrations were enthusiastically given and drew many students about him, his anatomic and surgical lectures, however valuable, were heavy, filled with uncoordinated details that bored his listeners.

John Hunter's letters and his great works are often ungrammatical, the spelling is incorrect, and his meaning is sometimes vague. He disliked giving the lectures although he considered them basic in teaching the medical student. Usually when starting a new course of lectures, he found it necessary to take laudanum just before the

first few classes, to quiet his nerves. John has been accused of coarseness in his lectures. Often he expressed himself forcibly rather than politely; for instance, when discussing a case of gunshot wound, he described the ball as having "gone into the man's belly and hit his guts such a d—d thump that they mortified."<sup>9</sup>

It is astonishing, therefore, how a man whose education began at the age of 20 could rise so rapidly and to such great heights in so short a time. "His career affords an illustrative example of a man of great intellectual prowess triumphing over early defective training, and marching onward step by step, despite vast obstacles, to the highest pinnacle of human greatness."<sup>2</sup>

Volumes have been written on the lives of these famous brothers. The Hunterian lectures, begun in 1814, occurring first annually and later bi-annually, have left nothing unrevealed regarding the vicissitudes and efforts of these men. Only a brief sketch of their lives can be given here.

#### WILLIAM WAS SURGEON'S PUPIL

After his winter of study in Edinburgh, William Hunter entered the service of Dr. James Douglas, as tutor to his son and as a dissector. Under the influence of Douglas, William was entered at St. George's Hospital as a surgeon's pupil, studying under Frank Nicholls. There he attended the sick and diligently dissected the dead.<sup>4</sup> While under Munro's instruction at Edinburgh he had "learned with his ears, not his eyes," for only one body was available in the six-month lecture course, with a *ferus* added for study of the nerves and blood vessels and a dog for surgical operations.<sup>4</sup> When he gave a course of lectures before a society of naval physicians, he was able to demonstrate his lectures in anatomy and operative surgery by personally prepared specimens.

His anatomical school, which he opened in 1746, became the most celebrated in London. It was at this time that he began his excellent dissections, which formed a large part of his noted museum. He believed that an extensive knowledge of the human body in health and disease is the "only sure foundation for rational pathology and practice."<sup>4</sup> He took nothing for granted. Only after careful examination did William Hunter draw his cautious conclusions. He stated: "Some physiologists, gentlemen, will have it that the stomach is

a mill; others that it is a fermenting vat; others again, that it is a stewpan; but in my view of the matter it is but a stomach, gentlemen, a stomach."

It was while William Hunter resided with Smellie that he became attracted to midwifery and decided gradually to give up his surgical practice to devote his time to obstetrics. He became preeminent in this field. In 1764 he was made physician-extraordinary to her majesty Queen Charlotte, wife of King George III.

#### TOOK OVER WILLIAM'S CLASSES

In the meantime, John at 17 was learning cabinetmaking while assisting his sister's husband, but when the brother-in-law failed in business three years later John asked William to make him his assistant in dissections. William welcomed his brother and immediately recognized his remarkable skill in dissecting the human body delicately and accurately. In the second winter, John was able to take over William's class in dissections. In 1755 William made him a partner in the school.

In the summers of 1749 and 1750 John had attended the lectures of William Cheselden at Chelsea Military Hospital, and in 1751 at St. Bartholomew's Hospital had studied under the famous surgeon, Percivall Pott. Persuaded in 1755 to enter St. Mary's Hall, Oxford, he made but a short stay. William had hoped that with some formal education John would become a physician rather than a surgeon, at that time not a highly rated profession.

John, then 27 years old, quickly left the halls of learning, declaring they tried to make an old woman of him there, but he had cracked their schemes like so many vermin as they came before him.<sup>5</sup> He entered St. George's Hospital in 1754, as a surgeon-pupil and became a house surgeon two years later.

His brother James' death from tuberculosis and his own poor health following an attack of pneumonia caused him to seek a change from his arduous labors, for like William he worked from early morning until late at night. He obtained an appointment as staff-surgeon in an expedition of the army to Belle Isle in the Bay of Biscay in 1760 and in 1762 served with the English forces in Portugal. During his service he gained information for his noted treatise on gunshot wounds. He used



WILLIAM HUNTER  
1718-1783

his spare time to begin his research into comparative anatomy and physiology by studying the digestion of snakes and lizards during hibernation and also the faculty of hearing in fishes.

While John was in the army, William had taken on a new assistant, William Hewson, who later became his partner in the lecture courses. In 1770 Hewson was succeeded by W. C. Cruikshank. Now 35 years old, without means except a small pension, John, on his return, began his surgical practice and opened his own course of lectures. He had to compete with Pott of St. Bartholomew's, Bromfield and Hawkins of St. George's, and Sharp and Warner of Guy's, all established surgeons with good hospital appointments.

#### BLACK MARKET IN CADAVERS

In 1745 the old United Company of Barbers and Surgeons had been dissolved and private dissections were no longer forbidden by law.<sup>5</sup> However, bodies were hard to obtain, and not until the time of the Hunters was instruction in anatomy through dissection made generally possible. That both William and John obtained their many cadavers through the black marketeers of the time—the resurrectionists—is not denied. In fact, John was accused of cultivating friends among the despised body-snatchers.

The interesting, not too elegant story is told of John's possession of a giant's body. The giant named O'Brien, 8 feet tall, was aware of John's love for abnormal specimens and of his watchful eyes, and when his health began to decline arranged, for the price of £200, that when he died his body should be concealed until a lead coffin could be built, after which it should be dropped into the ocean, thus escaping dissection.

John missed the giant from his accustomed spot and learning of the arrangements, offered through a servant a higher reward if the fishermen would drop the body as agreed, then bring it up and deliver it to John.<sup>2</sup> The men haggled with him until he paid £500 for the nefarious deed. When he received the body he hastily boiled it in a great brass kettle, which later laid around for many years at Earl's Court and was finally sold as junk for 30 shillings.<sup>7</sup> O'Brien's skeleton rests in the Hunter Museum.

Unlike William, John only slowly developed a practice. It was 11 years before his income reached four figures,

and he delayed his marriage until that time.

John Hunter's appointment to St. George's staff gave him the privilege of taking house pupils. It has been said<sup>2</sup> that virtually everyone in the generation following his who became noted in surgery in Europe had attended his lectures. Among them were John Abernethy, Edward Jenner, Henry Cline, Everard Home, Astley Cooper, John Thomson, James Macartney, James Wilson, Edward Coleman, Thomas Chevalier, and Philip Syng Physick of the United States.<sup>1</sup>

His intimacy with Jenner continued for the rest of his life although Jenner had refused the suggestion to set up a school of anatomy with him. Although John Hunter had encouraged Jenner to continue his studies of the vaccine pustule which he had observed on the hands of milkers, all of whom escaped smallpox contagion, it was not until three years after Hunter's death that Jenner made his discovery public.<sup>8</sup>

When Philip Physick was brought to Hunter (1780), the father of the youth looked around and inquired what books his son would need. Hunter pointed to three bodies lying on the dissecting table and replied tersely that they were the books he would use. Physick proved so apt a student that Hunter tried in vain to persuade him to remain as his own assistant. It has been said that those who "walked the hospital" with John Hunter carried his spirit of inquiry and love of truth through England and to the New World. Many became teachers in new medical schools: Sir Astley Cooper at Guy's, Cline at St. Thomas', Abernethy at St. Bartholomew's, Sir Anthony Carlisle at Westminster; others like Physick carried his message to America.<sup>6</sup> From 1746 to 1783 John Hunter is said to have delivered the most complete course of anatomical lectures ever given in London and in between times enriched the science of medicine by some of the most valuable contributions ever received.<sup>4</sup> Baillie considered him the best lecturer in anatomy that ever lived.

While William and John Hunter built up their noted practices and compiled their vast museums, their great contributions to the practice of medicine were being recognized by the organized medical societies. Many honors were heaped upon them. William became physician-extraordinary to Queen Charlotte, wife of George

III, in 1762 and John became surgeon-extraordinary to the king in 1776. They were made fellows of the Royal Society of London in 1767, John becoming a member three months before William. Both received diplomas to practice from the Corporation of Surgeons, William in 1747 and John in 1768, and both were fellows of the Royal Society of Medicine and the Academy of Medicine of Paris (1780, 1783). William became president of the Royal Society of Physicians (1780) and John was made a fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, and of the Royal College of Surgery of Ireland.

William received an honorary degree of doctor of medicine at the University of Glasgow (1750) and was made professor of anatomy to the Royal Academy of Painting and Sculpture (1768). John received the Copley Gold Medal from the Royal Society (1787), was made deputy surgeon general of the army in 1786 and surgeon general and inspector three years later. He was further honored by being made a fellow of the American Philosophical Society.<sup>1</sup>

This is the first section of the article on the Hunter brothers. The second part will appear in the November issue of this magazine.

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## It's Time the Towns Paid Their Debts

to the hospitals that serve them

THE hospitals of Massachusetts are reimbursed a maximum of \$12 a day for the care of old-age assistance and welfare cases. The average cost per patient day is now in the neighborhood of \$20 for the hospitals of this state. The hospitals of Massachusetts are contributing to the towns and cities that they serve an average of approximately \$8 for every day's care rendered to the patients for which the communities are responsible. It is obvious that the voluntary hospitals are subsidizing our local governments to a large extent.

Interested in viewing the other side of the picture, that is, how much are the communities contributing to the hospitals, I sent a questionnaire to 124 voluntary hospitals in our state, requesting information as to the aid that each hospital receives from its local government in the way of public services and use of town facilities.

Study of the 116 replies indicates that the matter of assistance between government and hospitals is strictly a one-way street. A great majority of the communities are unaware of the financial contribution of the hospitals and recognize no responsibility to reward the hospitals for the dissipation of their assets on the community's behalf.

The survey showed that out of 116 hospitals in the state only 11 receive free water from their communities. Another 10 buy water at a reduced rate. However, 94 hospitals pay the same rate as the corner tavern pays.

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Even in the matter of garbage collection, which most householders take for granted, 48 of the hospitals must pay to have garbage removed. The other 68 hospitals apparently have a magnanimous local government and receive free garbage collection. Although the question was not asked,

eight hospitals indicate that they sell their garbage at a profit.

Out of the 116, 60 hospitals have to pay for rubbish removal. One of the 60, however, states that the community removes the rubbish at a reduced rate.

In the matter of snow plowing, which it would seem towns and cities should perform out of an elementary sense of responsibility to citizens, the communities show a distressing lack of interest. It is the custom in most communities to give priority to the plowing of main highways, the area around the police and fire stations and sometimes the routes to the hospital.

However, the survey indicates that in most communities the town fathers feel that they have done their part if the roads are plowed to the hospital driveway; it is then the hospital's responsibility to maintain egress to the street. As far as most communities care, the mother in labor must trudge through the deep snow from the street to the hospital. Only 50 of the 116 hospitals get free plowing. The majority of these indicate that plowing is limited to the main driveway and does not include other entrances, drives or parking areas. Two hospitals say that their communities would plow their driveways but would charge them for doing so. Fifty-five

### Municipal Assistance in 116 Massachusetts Voluntary Hospitals

1. Does your city or town furnish water?	
Free.....	11
Reduced rate.....	10
Full rate.....	94
2. Does your city or town provide garbage service?	
Free.....	69
Reduced rate.....	0
Full rate.....	2
Not at all.....	46
(8 hospitals sold their garbage)	
3. Does your city or town provide rubbish removal?	
Free.....	56
Reduced rate.....	1
Full rate.....	8
Not at all.....	51
4. Does your city or town do your snow plowing?	
Free.....	50
Reduced rate.....	0
Full rate.....	2
Not at all.....	64
5. Can you call upon your city or town government for help for miscellaneous matters such as driveway repair, tree spraying, use of trucks, etc.?	
Yes.....	13
No.....	71
Limited.....	32

per cent state that their communities do not participate in snow removal in any way.

The final question asked was: Can you call upon your city or town government for help in such miscellaneous matters as driveway repairs and tree spraying? This kind of assistance could be of great benefit to most hospitals and would be a negligible expense to the communities. However, 71, or 57 per cent, of the reporting hospitals receive absolutely no such aid. Thirty-two hospitals receive limited assistance, and only 13 of those replying can depend upon their local government for real help.

Study of the questionnaires brings out the fact that there is no consist-

ency between the various departments of a local government—that is, in some communities there may be rubbish removal but no garbage collection—indicating that the generosity of a community is probably dependent on the head of the particular department concerned and is seldom a matter of town policy. In one community reporting, one hospital receives free water and another hospital in the same town pays for it. I suspect that benefits received from the community are related to the pressure the hospital is able to bring on town or city officials.

I should like to see hospitals treated the same as any other business in town is treated and be charged the regular

commercial rates for the various services received, if in turn the local government would treat the hospital as it does any other vendor it deals with and pay the regular charges for the services received. But as long as communities are permitted by state law to purchase hospital services below cost, they should at least recognize their indebtedness to the community hospital and do what is easily and cheaply within their means in helping reduce our costs of operation.

The big lesson to be obtained from this survey is that here is another public relations field on which we had better get busy. Our town fathers need to be told that they are indebted to us and should start paying off.

**You, too, can understand**

## **What Hospital Workers Want**

**E**VERY organization has personnel policies. Although an organization may not have printed policies, they exist nevertheless—being implied in the orders, decisions or opinions of the administration. Unwritten policies, however, are dangerous to both management and employe because frequently they are misinterpreted.

Personnel policies, when intelligently conceived, are the foundations of sound personnel relations. Based on the objectives of the institution, they also should reflect the basic desires of the worker. They must be so developed that they always can serve as guides to action in the solution of personnel problems. They also must be made understandable at every level, since they set the tone of the hospital and affect the morale of the worker.

Morale is of vital importance to us as administrators because the quality of service to the patient is always in direct proportion to the level of employe morale. Morale is something that cannot be obtained by order or encouraged by logical argument; neither can it be bought for a price. We have often made the mistake of assuming that high wages and short hours are what

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workers want most from their jobs. And when wages have been raised and hours shortened, some administrators have been amazed and discouraged by a continuation of the discontent; they are unable to explain satisfactorily to a hounding governing board why the staff is still sulking.

It is interesting to note, however, that this lack of understanding of what the worker really wants is not confined to management. Many employes themselves are unaware of what is needed to make them satisfied in their jobs. This apparently illustrates a well established principle of human behavior, *i.e.*, it is difficult for a person to identify in clear and unmistakable terms the forces that underlie his feelings and his actions.

Every impartial study of what employes want from their jobs has shown that many things other than high wages and shorter hours are considered important. You may doubt that these

points are applicable to your institution. Yet in the last five years I have seen these unsatisfied desires form the basis for serious employe grievances. Experience has clearly demonstrated the marked difference in the effects of a personnel policy predicated on basic desires of workers, which after all are the desires of all average human beings, and a personnel policy based on the needs of the moment, or expediency. The poor results of the latter are classical and can be prognosticated.

Members of the Association of Hospital Personnel Executives in New York City have been cognizant of these employe desires and motivations. Many of them have had the opportunity to develop or suggest revisions in personnel policies for their institutions. Each policy generally has been scrutinized in the light of its effect on the morale of the employe and the needs of the hospital. Where discipline is fostered by a policy it succeeds only when its fairness is obvious to all. Otherwise covert opposition on the part of the employe results.

At hospitals with which I have been associated an attempt has been made actually to put the personnel into per-



sonnel policy. The development and revision of such policy are made by an employees' personnel policies committee, composed of representatives at every level of the hospital organization. By preliminary orientation of the committee in the objectives and financial abilities of the hospital, we have been able to develop broad policies that have been acceptable to the administrator and the governing board. In several instances, the members of the committee have recognized traditional abuses in sick leave benefits and overtime and have emphatically recommended policies tending to restrict and eliminate such abuses. Out of such committees have come realistic and workable policies that have contributed in large measure to higher employee morale.

The written policy that is formulated in consultation with those who must live under it and that is followed consistently by the administration engenders in the employee a powerful sense of faith and security in the management of the hospital. Again, policies relieve administrators of the burden of continually making new decisions on similar problems and searching their memories as to what they did before.

Personnel policies, to be effective then, must consider the worker's desires within the framework of the hospital's objectives. These desires, so well known to social scientists, may be listed as follows:

1. *A steady job.* Because of the nature of human illness and the trend toward greater hospital use (albeit, shorter stays), it is possible to state this policy firmly and thereby capitalize upon it as a means of attracting efficient workers. The general policy for this might read: "It is the intention of the John Doe Hospital to provide continuous employment to all permanent members of the staff consistent with our objectives of the best possible care to the patient at the lowest possible cost."

2. *Opportunity for advancement within the organization.* This evidences itself in the promotion and training policies, which might read as follows: "It is the intention of the John Doe Hospital to promote from within the ranks. We shall offer all opportunities for advancement on the same or higher levels to qualified personnel of this hospital before seeking outside talent." In the training of employees: "Employees shall be trained to accomplish their

jobs in the best possible manner and for succession to positions of a higher level in keeping with the ever changing needs of the John Doe Hospital for qualified supervisory personnel in all departments."

3. *The desire for recognition of accomplishment.* This should be reflected in the policy on rating of employees. It might read: "Employees' accomplishments shall be reviewed and classified at stated intervals. Such classification shall be the determining factor in transfers, promotions and downgrading."

4. *Equitable salaries, wages and hours of work, and reasonable and safe working conditions.* These, of course, are reflected in their respective policies, which might read:

- A. "To pay equitable salaries and wages in keeping with the financial conditions of the hospital. It shall be based on an evaluation of the job in relation to the same or similar work in the hospital and the competing labor market and shall be set up in scale form to recognize the learning pattern of people."

- B. "Hours of work shall be reasonable and in keeping with those of other

hospitals in the community as well as the requirements of continuous 24 hour service to the patients of John Doe Hospital."

- C. "Working conditions shall at all times be maintained at a level consistent with the safety and health of employees and effective service to the patient."

These are some of the most fundamental policies that might be used by administrators of hospitals as guideposts. Other specific policies based on the general statement and the attitude of the governing board would include such policies on: sick leave benefits; vacation allowances; hospitalization benefits; methods of wage payments; orientation; discipline, and accident reporting.

With the technics cited previously any hospital organization can develop an effective approach to personnel problems. The present-day high cost of labor and the rapidly diminishing source of labor supply for hospitals make it imperative that concrete personnel policies be established. Once established, the development of a personnel program, using effective technics, can result in many economies.

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## VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

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### All for the Children

The pediatric play area at Hartford Hospital, Hartford, Conn., will soon be operating full scale. There are inside and outside areas with a volunteer supervisor in charge. The inside play area has attractive tables, chairs, toy shelves, and bookshelves. An awning is being erected over the outside area, which also has furniture and play equipment. Funds to complete this play center have just been voted by the women's auxiliary board from proceeds of a barber shop quartet concert.

Small patients who cannot leave their rooms or wards have not been neglected. The auxiliary is providing a record library to suit the varying taste of youngsters. Thirty-six outlets in the pediatric department permit the relaying of these records.

This active auxiliary will also appropriate funds for three additional resuscitators for use in the delivery rooms of the maternity building.

Another project is the installation of six new lavatories in South Building at a cost of \$26,000. These will contain nine toilets, seven showers and six sitz baths. The financing of this project will be spread over three years.

### Memorial to a Friend

Last year Mrs. Catherine Delano Grant, the founder and long-time president of the Friends of the Deaconess, died. One year later the Catherine Delano Grant Nurses Scholarship Fund began reviewing candidates for its first scholarship. The sum of \$11,000 had been raised for the purpose. Half of it came from Mrs. Grant's friends outside of the New England Deaconess Hospital in Boston; the remainder by Friends' projects, contributions and a gift from the Junior Friends. The annual Boston Pops concert yielded \$1,200, \$200 of which came from donated flowers sold at the concert by the Junior Friends.

# About People

## Administrators



Emmett R. Johnson

**Emmett R. Johnson** is the new administrator of Western Baptist Hospital, Paducah, Ky., which will open next summer. Mr. Johnson, who received his bachelor's

and his master's degrees in hospital administration from Northwestern University in 1952, served an administrative residency at Medical Center Hospital, Tyler, Tex., and an administrative externship at Baylor University Hospital, Dallas.



Mark Berke

**Mark Berke** has resigned as administrator of the Albert Einstein Medical Center, Southern Division, Philadelphia, to accept the position of director of Mount Zion

Hospital, San Francisco, succeeding **Dr. J. A. Katzive**. Dr. Katzive's appointment as director of the health services division of the United Auto Workers (C.I.O.) was announced in the July issue of *The Modern Hospital*. Mr. Berke also has served as assistant director of Mount Sinai Hospital, Cleveland. He is a member of the American College of Hospital Administrators and the American Hospital Association.

**William H. Morrison**, formerly business manager of Friends Hospital, Philadelphia, has been appointed administrator of West Jersey Hospital, Camden, N.J. Mr. Morrison is a member of the American College of Hospital Administrators, the American Hospital Association, and the Hospital Association of Pennsylvania, as well as the Philadelphia Hospital Association.

**James V. Devine** has succeeded **Edna M. Hayward, R.N.**, as administrator of Wesson Maternity Hospital, Springfield, Mass. Miss Hayward resigned

to become administrator of the Benjamin Stickney Cable Hospital, Ipswich, Mass. Mr. Devine, formerly administrator of the Webber Hospital, Biddeford, Me., took his hospital administration residency at Malden Hospital, Malden, Mass. While there he studied at the Institute for Hospital Administration at Brown University. Miss Hayward, a graduate in nursing from New England Baptist Hospital, Boston, served at the Boston Lying-In Hospital before going to Wesson Maternity as administrator in 1926. She was recently elected a fellow of the American College of Hospital Administrators.

**Sister Carlos** assumed her new duties August 13 as administrator of the Hotel Dieu, New Orleans, succeeding **Sister Celestine**, whose appointment as administrator of St. Thomas Hospital, Nashville, Tenn., was announced in the September issue. Sister Carlos formerly was associated with De Paul Sanitarium, New Orleans, where she had served as director of the affiliate school of psychiatric nursing and assistant administrator since 1946. In 1951, she took a course in hospital administration at St. Louis University.

**Richard W. Blaisdell**, the newly appointed administrator of Peninsula Hospital now under construction at Burlingame, Calif., has held the position of assistant administrator of the University of California Hospital and assistant business manager of the University of California Medical Center in San Francisco since 1950. A graduate of the course in hospital administration from the University of Minnesota, Mr. Blaisdell served his administrative residency at San Jose Hospital, San Jose, Calif.

**Robert E. Toomey** has become administrator of North Country Hospitals at Gouverneur, Canton and Alexandria Bay, N.Y., succeeding **Tracy F. Storch**. Mr. Storch's appointment as executive assistant for services and supplies at New York Hospital, New York City, was announced in the September issue. Mr. Toomey, who completed a course

in hospital administration at Columbia University, served an administrative residency with the Hospital Council of Greater New York and Roosevelt Hospital, New York City. Upon completing his residency he remained at Roosevelt Hospital until his recent appointment.

**Allen J. Perez**

Jr. has been appointed to the newly created post of assistant to the administrator of Rochester General Hospital, Rochester, N.Y.

He has been associated with the hospital as credit manager since 1949. A graduate of the school of nursing at Rochester State Hospital, Rochester, he has served as a nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira, N.Y., and at St. Mary's Hospital, Saginaw, Mich. He also has been night supervisor at Rochester State Hospital. He is a member of the Rochester Regional Hospital Council's purchasing committee.

**Harold E. Wetzel**, who resigned as administrator of the Neblett Hospital and Clinic, Canyon, Tex., is now administrator of Everglades Memorial Hospital, Pahokee, Fla.

**John C. Imhoff**, who completed his administrative residency in hospital administration at City Hospital, Cleveland, has been appointed administrative assistant at City Hospital. Mr. Imhoff is a graduate of the University of Chicago's program in hospital administration.

**Arthur B. Paulson**, formerly assistant administrator in charge of accounting and purchasing at Brockton Hospital, Brockton, Mass., has been appointed administrator of Jordan Hospital, Plymouth, Mass.

**James C. Heidenreich** is the new assistant to Administrator **John Paplow** at Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital, Santa Barbara, Calif. Mr. Heidenreich, who completed his administrative resi-

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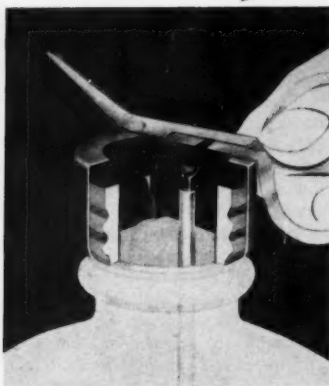


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# Why BLUE CROSS COSTS are what they are

WHEN the word "costs" is mentioned these days in relation to Blue Cross, two problems are brought to mind at once. These two problems are in the limelight at present because of the extremely competitive conditions prevailing in the voluntary health insurance field.

Problem No. 1 is the fact that different Blue Cross plans find it necessary to charge different rates for different patterns of benefits, and that, moreover, different Blue Cross plans charge different rates for approximately the same benefits.

Problem No. 2 is the fact that Blue Cross rates have been going up and are still going up.

### TWO PROBLEMS ALWAYS WITH US

I should like to deal with these two problems first, primarily, perhaps, because they are always with Blue Cross and I am, therefore, a little self-conscious about them, but also because they loom large in the voluntary health insurance field. Blue Cross critics, professional Blue Cross detractors of the pie-in-the-sky variety and hardheaded insurance salesmen are all equally vociferous in presenting these two problems as outstanding disadvantages of Blue Cross protection.

They are disadvantages, too. Every Blue Cross representative can testify to the fact that he has to meet these arguments at least once a day, and many times a day if a rate raise should happen to be on the agenda for his particular plan.

This article contains some amplification of the remarks delivered before the Columbia University Conference on Current Problems in Administrative Medicine, May 15, 1952.

**WILLIAM S. McNARY**  
Executive Vice President  
Michigan Hospital Service  
Detroit

Yet here is a seemingly curious contradiction. Were it not for these two problems or disadvantages, Blue Cross today would probably be "Little Business" instead of it being, as it is, "Big Business." Moreover, Blue Cross would be going backward not forward. It would be facing the fate of becoming just another forgotten noble experiment.

The reasons these two problems, despite the fact that they are handicaps, have played such an important part in building Blue Cross, are rather obvious. What we are up against here are really not shortcomings but the anticipated and inescapable results of operations based on two principles that are fundamental to the whole Blue Cross effort and philosophy.

The first principle is that Blue Cross rates must everywhere be honestly and realistically related to regional and local differentials in hospital costs and charges. We know that wages are not the same all over the country. Living costs are not the same. A \$10 a day room in an Alabama hospital may be a good private room; \$10 may not even pay for a ward bed in Washington or New York. These differentials are facts. That these differentials show up in Blue Cross rates is not a reflection upon Blue Cross but testimony to the fact that Blue Cross rates are honestly geared to the economics of each community.

Not only do costs differ from region to region, from state to state, even

from city to city in the same state, but habits differ in regard to utilization and types of services, and so do the sizes of families. Blue Cross rates must reflect all these variations.

The second principle is that Blue Cross benefits must be provided, to the extent circumstances permit, in a package that meets the realities of today's medical practice. Medical care cannot be bought by the pound or by the yard. It cannot be bought piece by piece as one may buy a set of expensive dishes. When a man is sick, he needs a medically dictated minimum quantity of hospital services. Blue Cross must come as close as possible to assuring its members this minimum package. As the cost of this package goes up, whatever the causes may be, Blue Cross rates must follow suit. As new services and new drugs are introduced by developments in medical science and medical and hospital practice, Blue Cross rates must reflect the resulting increases in cost.

### BASED ON REALITIES

We in Blue Cross are not seriously disturbed by the disadvantages we suffer because we knowingly and deliberately base our operations and our rates upon the realities of regional and local cost differentials. That we are criticized for this is only too true. When a national corporation wants uniform benefits at uniform rates for all of its employees from coast to coast, the differences in Blue Cross rates and practices create a real headache. However, this is a problem we are solving without changing the sound and honest principle from which it stems.

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hospital costs—is equally real and must be faced. A good part of this problem cannot be separated either from the contemporary history of medical and hospital progress or from our current economic developments. Commercial insurance companies have the same trouble as Blue Cross whenever they attempt to offer benefits that approach full coverage. Let me cite examples:

1. A manufacturing concern in Michigan which employs some 12,000 people purchased a complete group insurance package a couple of years ago which provided hospital benefits patterned closely after Blue Cross coverage. When the first year ended the group was presented with a bill for some \$40,000 per month more for the next year. Well authenticated rumor has it that the insurance company lost \$600,000 on the group in the first 12 months. A substantial part of this loss was incurred because the hospitalization rate first quoted was lower than the Blue Cross rate; when raised, it was well above the Blue Cross rate.

#### THEY CAME BACK

2. Three years ago a number of groups controlled by one Detroit union with some 1500 members left Blue Cross for a brand new commercial insurance plan which offered benefits similar to Blue Cross at comparable rates. During that three-year period Michigan Blue Cross has had two rate increases—so has the commercial plan. Three weeks ago the president of the union phoned to ask us to take them back as soon as possible. They had just been notified of a third substantial premium boost. We said we'd be happy to welcome them back to Blue Cross but that we could not guarantee our rate either. "Never mind that," he said, "we still want Blue Cross."

The commercial insurance companies are not concealing these facts. The *New York Journal of Commerce*, on April 29 of this year, reported that J. Henry Smith of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of New York told a meeting of life insurance actuaries in Washington that loss ratios for his company have been going up in recent years, particularly the loss ratios for hospital and surgical expense insurance. In some instances, he said, the loss ratios have been above the levels contemplated in the premium rates.

Among the factors underlying the upward trend in loss ratios, according to the *New York Journal of Com-*

*merce*, Mr. Smith cited increases caused by premium reductions, policy and claim liberalizations, costlier medical practices and diagnostic and therapeutic techniques, experimentation with marginal types of groups, increased utilization of medical facilities when insured, duplication of coverage, and effects of inflation on costs. Stanley Gingery of Prudential, addressing the same meeting, confirmed the increase in claim rates for his company for employees' and dependents' hospital and surgical benefit coverage.

Obviously the problem of the rising costs of voluntary health insurance is affecting the commercial companies as well as Blue Cross. The public is not happy about this, of course. Hospitals and doctors are being criticized every day because it costs so much to be sick. Blue Cross is criticized on the grounds that its liberal benefits and the liberal interpretation of its certificates encourage abuse. Let us recognize that some of the harsh things being said about hospitals, doctors and Blue Cross are probably true. Some hospitals are not operated as efficiently as they should be. Some Blue Cross patients are not discharged as soon as they should be, or as soon as they would be if they were not protected by Blue Cross. Some Blue Cross patients are needlessly given expensive drugs when less expensive medication would do just as well. There is some truth in all of these charges. Knowing hospitals as I do, and knowing Blue Cross as I do, it is my belief, however, that these charges only touch on the real source of the danger we face in the field of voluntary health insurance.

In my opinion the following factors are responsible for all but a small fraction of the increased cost of voluntary health insurance:

1. Inflation.

2. Competition for personnel which has forced hospitals to raise wages and salaries from their very low pre-World War II status to levels which are now comparable to those prevailing in industry and business.

3. Health education and health propaganda.

The first factor—inflation—is something that we in the early days of Blue Cross—back in the 1930's and even in the early 1940's—never dreamed of. What we worried about in those days was what would happen to Blue Cross in the event of another depression. During my first six years in Blue Cross I never heard anyone warn us about

the dangers of inflation. I am not sure I know which is the worst—the danger we all knew and feared, or the danger we did not dream of and now face.

The second factor in rising hospital costs is little understood by most people. One of my responsibilities as a young man, during the depths of the unlamented 1930's, was to make up the annual budget for a good sized university hospital. I remember only too well the large cuts I recommended in all salaries, including my own, of course. I also recall with what I may describe as uncomfortable vividness my reluctance to budget maids at \$30 per month and general duty graduate nurses at \$50 per month. These hospital employees were getting very little even during the prosperous Twenties. That made it all the harder to decrease their already pitifully small wages. However, it had to be done if the hospitals were to stay open.

#### DEMAND IS INCREASING

We have already touched upon the problem of inflation. There is the problem of the increased demand for hospital services, the phenomenally increased demand we have faced during the last 10 years. This demand has forced hospitals to compete with industry and business for its personnel. To meet competitive wages and salaries hospitals have had to increase their wages and salaries not 50 per cent, not 100 per cent, but as much as 300 and even 400 per cent, in order to dig themselves out from the abnormally low wage levels that prevailed in the 1930's. The real trouble is not that hospital costs have risen so much during the last seven years, but that they had so far to go under the pressure of circumstances to reach prevailing levels.

In other words, a good portion of the increase in hospital costs is the result of the need imposed upon the hospital to meet competitive wage and salary standards. Percentage-wise these increases look terrific; in actuality they are but a climb, and a long-delayed climb, to the average.

It is, therefore, useless to compare today's hospital costs with those of 10 years ago. On the basis of wages and salaries paid 10 years ago hospitals could not begin to recruit or hold the more than 1,000,000 full-time employees they need nationwide to provide the services asked of them. Since hospitals have begun to pay wages comparable to wages paid by industry



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and business, increases in hospital costs have followed the pattern laid down by the general inflationary trend.

The third important factor in rising hospital costs is that of health education and health propaganda. As far as I am concerned this is the fact that requires our most careful attention. I believe in health education. I believe the public is entitled to all information on medical developments. Also, I accept the fact as an inescapable part of our calculations, that the more attention people give to health, the more they are educated to the business of timely care, the higher our national medical bill will become. I say we can cope with this problem. There would be no room for us in the prepayment field if we could not take in our stride the progressive extension of our medical knowledge.

#### IRRESPONSIBLE REPORTING

What I am concerned about is the increasing volume of irresponsible reporting that is passed out as health information. A few weeks ago, for instance, a prominent Michigan newspaper published a story under a two-column head, which read as follows: "Neurosurgery Enters Cerebral Palsy Fight." The story below the headline revealed that the surgery was experimental; that no positive conclusions as to its value could as yet be drawn, and that the surgery had been tried out without success, really, on only a certain type of victim. Nothing definite, nothing promising. The story revealed that there are an estimated 12,000 cerebral palsy victims in Michigan alone. Since Michigan Blue Cross covers about 40 per cent of the people, we are safe in assuming that as many as 4800 of the cerebral palsy victims are probably covered by Blue Cross and Blue Shield. I cannot say how many of these possible 4800 victims may, as a result of this story, become candidates for the ineffective surgery propagandized through the press. And this surgery offers neither promise nor hope.

How much does it cost to hospitalize a cerebral palsy victim for such an experimental operation? I cannot say. But here we face the most serious problem confronting voluntary health insurance. Can we cope with this kind of journalism?

The May issue of *Medical Economics* shows equal concern about the same problem. To quote the magazine: "On February 21 last, the medical profes-

sion had the privilege of being let in on the secret of a new and important therapeutic agent at exactly the same moment as the general public. Most doctors were not appreciative.

"The drug, of course, was isonicotinic acid hydrazide, developed simultaneously by Squibb and Hoffmann-LaRoche. Front page newspaper disclosure of test results of these companies' products set off the greatest hullabaloo in the field of tuberculosis since Robert Koch developed tuberculin in 1890.

"Within two weeks of the announcement, the original couple of hundred experimental patients in four hospitals were reported to have increased to 10,000 in 300 hospitals. Orders for the drug poured in from all over the world."

The magazine goes on to point out that the claims for the drug were hasty, to say the least. But the newspaper stories conveyed the impression, and I quote *Medical Economics* again, that "Inexpensive pills would soon be available to cure the disease; even the conservative *New York Times* had said so.

"As a matter of fact, the *New York Times* had said so, in effect, but with qualifications. Other papers qualified the story, too; and prominent chest specialists warned against overconfidence. But the words of caution got mostly back page space. The headlines spelled an unqualified story of hope."

Within two weeks the number of patients hospitalized for treatment with this drug jumped from a couple of hundred to an estimated 10,000!

In the same issue, this magazine reports on the way Krebiozen was introduced to the world as a cure for cancer. The original claims for Krebiozen were moderate, but let us see how it was introduced to the public, according to *Medical Economics*:

"There were few other signs of moderation, however, in the commotion surrounding the unveiling of Krebiozen in the French Room of Chicago's Drake Hotel on March 26, 1951. The meeting was called by Dr. Ivy and he presided. It was graced by the presence of a newcomer to scientific circles: State's Attorney Boyle.

"Also there were a score or two of persons interested in cancer research. Several of them were surgeons, a few of them were clinical investigators themselves, but more were program administrators. There were assorted press and radio representatives; plus

two or three unwanted business promoters. . . . A brochure was handed out—'Krebiozen: An Agent for the Treatment of Malignant Tumors. . . .'

Comments *Medical Economics*: "While no press agent could have dreamed up a finer publicity stunt, the results of the meeting were unfortunate." In one week the University of Illinois got 11,000 appeals for the drug, which could not be filled. One man flew from Wilmington, Del., to get some.

#### DEVELOPING PUBLIC HYSTERIA

I could go on citing many such examples; a little research would list hundreds more. Their cumulative effect is developing something like a chronic public hysteria about "wonder" drugs and quick cures. This hysteria is being fed in several ways. I could not begin to count the number of individuals, organizations, foundations and public agencies that are engaged in raising money in order to encourage research directed toward controlling the many diseases that plague mankind. Each of these agencies has its own high-powered public relations departments or agents. These people raise both fears and hopes. What returns are we getting in relation to what the effort is costing the public? We know that tens of millions of dollars are being poured into our medical institutions by these efforts. We know that this money is inflating the cost of equipment, is inflating the cost of supplies and drugs, and that it is inflating the cost of scarce personnel. What are the returns besides and beyond the fact that these efforts are helping set the stage for the type of "Cure-of-the-Day Club" publicity I have cited?

It is my contention that we should do everything possible, publicly and privately, to advance medical research. I believe, however, the time has come for us to take serious inventory of what is happening here, if we are to develop our prepayment programs in an orderly fashion, progressively expanding their benefits to meet the sound demands of new medical developments.

It would be a relatively easy matter for us to explain to the members of Michigan Blue Cross that the new X drug brought relief to 20,000 Blue Cross members during the past year who previously had no remedy at all for their ailment, and that this new development upped our payments to hospitals by \$1,000,000 above the cal-

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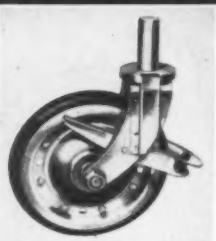
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culations on which we had based our rates. I could explain that with confidence, with pride and with sound statistics. But it is another matter to explain, much less cope with, the waste of subscriber funds resulting from activities which exploit the hopes of the sick and the unfortunate.

None of us in the field—neither the doctors, the hospitals, the prepayment plans nor the medical institutions in general—stand to benefit from this type of free-for-all health propaganda that retards medical science and tends to reduce medical research to a sort of medieval alchemy.

As far as Blue Cross is concerned, we cannot but take the stand publicly that this irresponsibility in the field of health journalism constitutes one of the serious dangers we face.

We are all familiar with the publicity given the so-called wonder drugs. I do not know whether they are doing all that is claimed for them. But I do know that they have increased Blue Cross costs by many millions of dollars and have played a part in recent Blue Cross rate raises. We have learned that many wonder drugs are only "90 day wonders" but the cost of the temporary "cures" obtained is a permanent cost. The medical profession and the ethical drug manufacturers can well devote more attention to the control of publicity and attendant premature demand for unproved pills and potions.

To summarize:

Voluntary health insurance can cope, I am confident, with the rises in costs which result from the need to increase hospital wages and salaries to competitive levels. This is a problem we can understand and explain. It is a problem that holds the promise of stabilizing itself.

Voluntary health insurance can cope, I am confident, with rises in costs resulting from the general inflationary situation. This is again a normal problem that can be explained.

Voluntary health insurance can also cope, I am confident, with the current tendency to abuse it. The hospital, the doctor and the patient can be educated to understand that they cannot abuse Blue Cross without sooner or later hurting themselves. There will always be some abuse. We can devise methods, as we are trying to do right now, to cut this abuse to a tolerable minimum.

But I am far from confident that voluntary health insurance can cope with the most expensive disease of all

—the infectious superstition spread by our yellow health journalism that there are cures for everything and that we can abolish all diseases. No society can assume the economic responsibility for the popular spread of such a superstition. Rate making is reduced to a farcical adventure with the unknown when a few headlines in the newspapers, or a blown up magazine story, can destroy all your calculations.

I do not have the answer to this problem. I do know that the time has come for all of us in the health and medical field to get together on it. By all of us I mean the hospitals, the doctors, Blue Cross, Blue Shield, the government agencies, the foundations, the universities—to see what can be done to put our educational efforts on sound ground. Unless we can get more sanity and discipline into the field of health education and health journalism, the health propaganda being spread may betray us into something much worse than a sea of socialization—it may betray us into a society of sanitariums.

From the point of view of administrative medicine, the rising costs of voluntary health insurance pose the following problems:

1. Greater efficiency in the hospital, particularly in regard to planning of installations and supply as they affect utilization of manpower. Now that the hospital has to compete with industry for labor, it must recognize the need for introducing concepts of efficiency to make the competition effective. Hospital costs are too high to allow of any waste.

2. Methods of control must be established and methods of education must be introduced to curb the abuse of Blue Cross. Increases in Blue Cross costs, regardless of whether the hospital profits from them or not, affect the hospital's relationship with the public.

3. Immediate and intelligent attention to the most serious evil of all—the evil of irresponsible exploitation of public credulity. It is before this evil that all of us involved, the hospitals, the medical profession and Blue Cross, will have to prove ourselves competent to manage the prepayment mechanisms for hospital and medical care that have become our trust. We must revamp our whole educational program, we must develop new concepts of ethical behavior.

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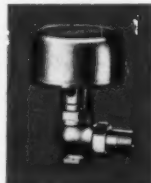
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The functions of the clinical laboratory may include any or all of the following: to provide information to assist the physician in diagnosing, treating and preventing diseases; to assist in training programs, and to conduct research. Generally, training programs and research are confined to

hospitals of 200 beds or more, because of limited clinical material, personnel and equipment found in most hospitals below this bed level.

The clinical laboratory is composed of various departments, established on the basis of similarity of technic, type of specimen to be examined, or knowledge of a particular science to be employed in testing. These laboratory departments are: histology, urinalysis, hematology, biochemistry, bacteriology and serology. The morgue and necropsy units, although not physically located within the laboratory wing, are considered part of the laboratory service. Basal metabolism tests, electrocardiograms and electroencephalograms are usually performed by laboratory personnel, and facilities for conducting these examinations may be included in the laboratory wing. Clinical photographic laboratory and medical illustration are usually the responsibility of the laboratory.

Some departments require auxiliary facilities to maintain a complete working unit. The bacteriology and serology departments, for example, utilize a great deal of glassware in performing their tests. Therefore, a central glass washing facility should be located in the immediate vicinity of these departments.

The bacteriology department also requires culture mediums and sterile

glassware for its work; therefore, facilities for these activities should be placed close to the department. Both the serology and the bacteriology departments use animals for conducting their tests so a small unit for housing animals, with facilities for operations and cage sterilization, should be conveniently located. Animal quarters for breeding purposes and exercise should be in a separate building constructed for that purpose.

The blood bank in general hospitals with fewer than 100 beds is part of the hematology department. Larger hospitals require separate facilities for this activity. An average of six blood transfusions per bed per year is made at present, with an anticipated future annual demand of 15 per bed. The location of the blood bank unit depends on whether the surgical service or the laboratory service is administratively responsible for its operation. When the surgical staff operates the blood bank, the unit is usually located near the operating room suite and recovery rooms. It would be wise to investigate the local American Red Cross blood program before investing in the equipment needed for the blood bank.

#### LOCATING THE MORGUE

Although the morgue and necropsy and specimen museum are operated by laboratory personnel, they should be located away from the traffic of patients and visitors, preferably in the basement. They also should be con-

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venient to the elevator, with an isolated exit to the service yard, if possible, for the use of undertakers.

Consideration of the flow of work in the laboratory is most important for the proper management of its units to achieve efficient operation. Laboratory facilities must be planned in relation to the other medical services of the hospital. The type of laboratory examinations to be performed, the volume of work, and the departments that will utilize the laboratory should be considered in determining location and space requirements.

Chemistry, serology and urinalysis laboratories will receive specimens from the nursing units and outpatient department. The surgical department will send specimens to the histology laboratory for pathological examination. On-the-spot, rapid examination of surgical tissue can be performed in a "frozen section laboratory" located in or near the operating suite. The histology laboratory will also receive specimens from the necropsy room. The photography unit will receive patients and specimens from the laboratory, surgical, medical and outpatient departments. Basal metabolism tests and electrocardiograms sometimes are made at the bedside; at other times the patient may be sent to the laboratory. Electroencephalograms are made in their own unit.

#### SELECTING THE PATHOLOGIST

It is recommended that the pathologist who will be responsible for the administration of the laboratory be brought into the hospital planning program in the very beginning. The pathologist selected should be a qualified physician with at least five years of laboratory experience, and should be certified by the American Board of Pathology. Because of his specialized knowledge of laboratory procedures, of required equipment, and of space necessary to perform tests, early consultation with him will be invaluable.

Medical technologists, under the supervision of the pathologist, are responsible for the specific work of the laboratory. Too often laboratory work is done by improperly trained individuals who are vested with responsibilities beyond their ability. This tends to lower the confidence of the medical staff in reports made by the laboratory and can lead to results disastrous to the patient's welfare. Technicians should be eligible for the Registry

of Medical Technologists sponsored by the American Society of Clinical Pathologists. This requires two years of college and graduation from a 12 months' course in an approved school for medical technologists.

All laboratory workers contribute to the functions of the laboratory, and the extent varies with the practice of the individual laboratory. Examinations performed should be based on the number of laboratory workers rather than on the number of medical technologists. Estimates on the number of examinations which each laboratory worker can perform in a year vary from 3000 to 7000. Teaching, research and outside requests account for the wide divergence in numbers of examinations performed per worker.

In addition to medical technologists and the pathologists, laboratory helpers, stenographers and janitors are required.

"A study of 120 hospitals doing from 9600 to 765,000 examinations indicated approximately this ratio of personnel: physicians: technicians: helpers—1:5:1; and janitors: stenographers—0.5 to 1. On the average, in such a group, seven to eight laboratory workers would perform 35,000-40,000 examinations per annum. . . . The examinations per patient per day ranged from 0.23 to 2 with a mean of 0.86. It is probable that this mean is high, as some laboratories receive material for examination from clinics and the outside. It is estimated that the figure 0.75 would be more representative."<sup>1</sup>

The increasing use of the laboratory service has required that it be assigned space in an area in keeping with the importance of the functions which it is to perform.

The facilities must be planned in relation to the other medical services of the hospital. The type of laboratory examination to be performed, the volume of work, and the departments that will use the laboratory should determine the location and space requirements. It is rare, indeed, that the laboratory is given more space than is needed. Flexibility and possible future expansion should always be kept in mind. For this reason it is recommended that the laboratory be located in a separate wing or adjacent to space which can be easily converted for its use if necessary.

<sup>1</sup>Williams, G. L.: Laboratory Operations Should Be Standardized, *Hosp. Management*, March 1948.

The laboratory should be on a lower floor, accessible to the inpatient area, to the medical staff and to outpatients. Since specimens from the necropsy and operating room also will be taken to the laboratory for examination, it should be easily accessible to those departments.

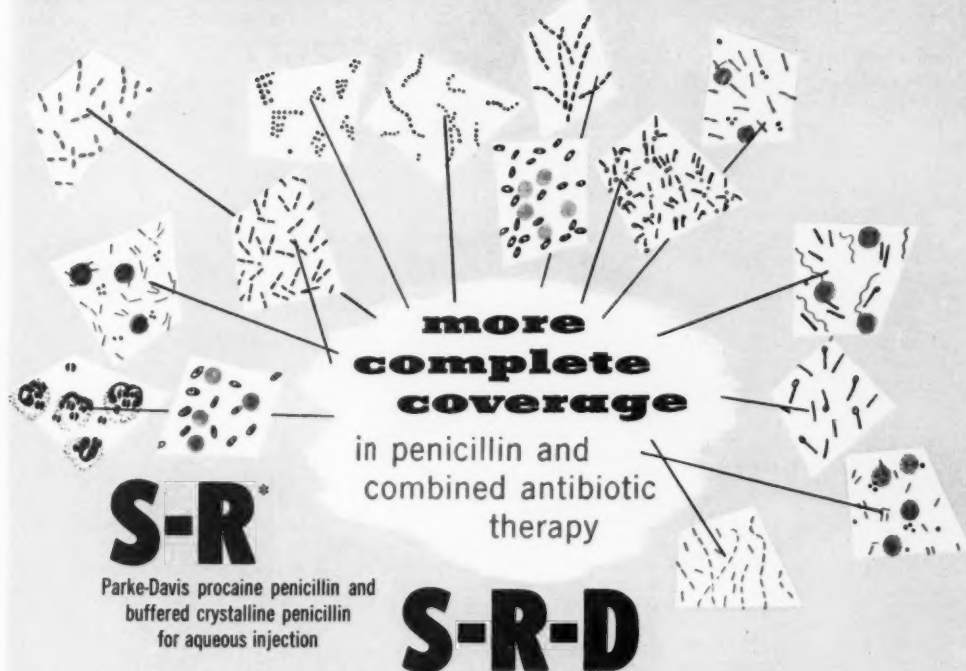
#### SPACE ASSIGNMENTS

The amount of space assigned to the laboratory service will depend on the size and type of hospital in which it functions. Laboratory facilities in hospitals of 50 beds and under ordinarily consist of one room in which urinalysis, hematology, limited bacteriology, serology and chemistry procedures are performed. In the 100 bed group, more room is required for these laboratory procedures so that services, such as sterilizing, glass washing, and preparing culture media, are performed in separate facilities. The 200 bed general hospital is ordinarily the starting point for departmentalization of the laboratory. The bacteriology and serology laboratory examinations may be combined in one unit, with a general laboratory unit provided for hematology, urinalysis, chemistry and blood bank procedures. When the bed capacity of the hospital is greater, it becomes necessary to provide separate units for each of the departments which are necessary for complete laboratory service.

Office space for the full-time pathologist and secretary should be located within the laboratory wing so that the pathologist can be in close contact with his staff for supervision and consultation. It is desirable in teaching hospitals and research laboratories to provide office facilities for department heads.

There is no hard and fast rule for determining space requirements for various size hospitals; each must be considered an individual problem. However, it is well to keep in mind that adequate working area is important in attracting and retaining desirable personnel and in maintaining a high quality of work. Allowing 4.5 square feet per hospital bed will provide an estimate for the minimum area required in general hospitals up to 500 beds. This does not include walls, corridors or space for basal metabolism tests, electrocardiograms, or electroencephalograms; necropsy facilities also are not included in this estimated area.

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on the methods used, the types of examinations performed, the volume of work and the number of personnel employed. The pathologist should be responsible for the equipment needs and should be consulted when equipment requisitions are prepared.

Equipment guide lists for 25, 50, 100 and 200 bed general hospitals are available for distribution.<sup>2</sup> These lists indicate equipment needs for the *average* hospital and should be used for reference only; adjustments can be made in consultation with a qualified pathologist to fit the needs of a particular situation.

The quality of equipment varies, and so will equipment costs. Estimates have been made for 25, 50, 100 and 200 bed general hospitals.<sup>2</sup> These averages based on 1951 prices are:

	25	50	100	100
Laboratory				
Group I <sup>a</sup> .....	\$1571	\$3459	\$5202	\$8717
Group II and				
III.....	\$2204	\$4233	\$6283	\$9212
Morgue and Necropsy				
Group I <sup>a</sup> .....	\$5129	\$5129	\$7079	
Group II and				
III.....	\$ 316	\$ 484	\$ 565	

<sup>a</sup>Installation costs are not included.

Modern scientific instruments are vital to the laboratory. Accurate, dependable laboratory reports cannot be made with poor equipment. Hospital administrators should familiarize themselves with laboratory equipment and its use so they can appreciate the need for adequate equipment to provide good quality laboratory service. Good equipment soon pays for itself.

#### NORTH LIGHT IS BEST

Natural lighting should be used to the full extent. North light is preferable because of its uniformity, without direct sun. Microscopic work is particularly difficult where glare is present. Fixed equipment, such as wall cabinets, refrigerators and centrifuges, can be placed away from windows and artificial light can be used, if necessary, to supplement the natural light. Portable lights with extension cords on the floor and work areas should be avoided. They are hazardous.

Finish materials for the laboratory areas should be selected on the basis of the type of work done in each area and the kind of wear that may be expected.

The floor of the laboratory should

be resilient, smooth and acid and stain resistant. Greaseproof asphalt tile, rubber tile or linoleum could be used. The floor of the glass washing and sterilizing room should be easy to clean, nonslip and resistant to heavy traffic.

The walls should be coated with waterproof paint. They should be glazed or have a similar finish to a point above the splash or spray line, and should be without cracks to avoid harboring roaches and ants.

The use of standard manufactured units is recommended for work bench installations, because of their flexibility in meeting changing needs. However, it is important to know exactly what tests will be done in a particular area in the laboratory so that the proper unit will be used. Where sedentary work is to be performed, ample leg room must be allowed. The usual height of work benches used in sedentary work is 30 to 31 inches; for standing work, 36 to 37 inches. Wall units are 30 inches wide and center units are 54 inches wide. The minimum space between work benches or fixed equipment should be 3 feet 6 inches; the maximum, to eliminate needless walking, should be 5 feet.

Small cup sinks and staining sinks may be built into the unit at convenient points to avoid the necessity of using the large laboratory sink.

Counter tops may be of soapstone, wood (birch which has been acid-proofed), stainless steel, treated fiber, composition stone or heavy battleship linoleum.

Wood is quite satisfactory for general use. In areas for glass washing and sterilizing, stainless steel, soapstone or a similar type of material is recommended because of the large amount of water and heat present.

No discussion on the clinical laboratory would be complete without some mention of the mechanical and electrical problems peculiar to this department.

The provision of utilities (waste, cold water, hot water, gas, vacuum, compressed air, distilled water and electricity) is a complex problem in designing the laboratory. The piping and wiring should be easily accessible so that time and money can be saved in making repairs or changes in any existing arrangement.

Placing the vertical utility lines alongside the structural columns, which are located 16 to 20 feet apart in the exterior walls, seems to be the most

direct and economical solution to the problem. This eliminates exposed piping in the ceilings and the cost of a dropped ceiling if the pipes are to be hidden. The vertical risers are available for connection to horizontal runs, yet concealed behind removable metal panels at the piers. Dividing the vertical laboratory utilities into three groups and alternating them in consecutive piers will reduce the width of the piers.

Acid resistant piping should be used for waste lines. Laboratory sinks of soapstone or corrosive resistant materials manufactured for this specific use are preferred.

#### AIR CONDITIONING DESIRABLE

Air conditioning is desirable for the laboratory because it obviates the necessity for opening windows. This is especially true in a bacteriology department where air-borne bacteria are a source of contamination. For the same reason the sterile room or cubicle should be provided with mechanical ventilation. Similar provisions are helpful in the culture media, sterilizing and glass washing rooms where odors and heat from the autoclaves and ovens are likely to make working extremely unpleasant in hot weather.

The electrical requirements should be studied carefully in order that an adequate supply be furnished to the laboratory. Sufficient outlets in the work area are often overlooked. Wall mounted switches for room lighting should be used where practicable in preference to pull switches to reduce maintenance. Protection against overloading should be furnished by either automatic circuit breakers or fuses.

More complete and technical information on these problems is given in "State Public Health Laboratory."<sup>3</sup>

The planning and designing of the clinical laboratory in the hospital have been neglected to such an extent that many hospitals today are facing overcrowded working conditions and a poorly functioning laboratory service. The increasing demand for the coordinated hospital system, with emphasis on more nearly adequate diagnostic service, should be an incentive for a more careful consideration of the function and requirements of this rapidly growing service in the hospital.

<sup>3</sup>Material prepared by the Division of Hospital Facilities, Public Health Service, Federal Security Agency. American Journal of Public Health, January 1950.



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## Notes and Abstracts

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# THE ANTIBIOTICS: Pharmacodynamics and Principles of Therapy

## I. PENICILLIN AND STREPTOMYCIN

THE antibiotics are specific chemical agents, produced by living microorganisms and capable of destroying or preventing the growth of certain other microorganisms. This phenomenon of antibiosis was first observed by Pasteur and Joubert, 1877, when they noted that cultures of anthrax were slow to develop when contaminated with bacteria of the air. The therapeutic potentialities of this fact became apparent only with the historic discovery of penicillin by Fleming in 1929, which later completely revolutionized the treatment of a variety of infectious diseases amenable to penicillin therapy and initiated the search for similar agents with broader antibacterial spectrums.

During the past decade hundreds of antibiotics have been discovered, isolated, purified, screened and tested for therapeutic efficacy. Only a relatively small number of these have survived clinical trials. Most of the antibiotics are derived from molds and other bacteria. To date chloramphenicol is the only one of these which can be produced synthetically on a practical basis.

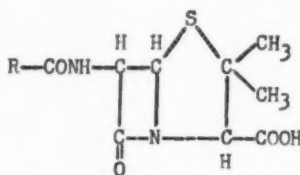
It has been aptly stated that the antibiotics are the "bread and butter" of general practice. In spite of the life-saving properties of these "wonder drugs," they have resulted in an all too frequent indiscriminate use and a complacent attitude toward certain important infectious diseases. They are frequently employed in subtherapeutic quantities, for ailments in which they are completely without effect and in the absence of any verification of a sensitive infectious agent. For the most part this attitude stems from an indifference toward or a lack of fundamental information regarding the basic

pharmacology, clinical applications, side effects and limitations of the antibiotics. It is proposed to discuss some of these factors in the present review, with the realization that a detailed analysis of all of the therapeutically established antibiotics is outside the scope of this discussion.

### PENICILLIN

Penicillin is the oldest and best known of the antibiotics employed clinically. It was originally derived from a mold, *Penicillium notatum*. While small amounts have been prepared synthetically, it is commercially available only from natural sources.

**Chemistry.** Naturally occurring penicillin is not a single substance but is produced in several forms. The basic structure of the penicillins is as follows:



General Formula for the Penicillins

Variations in the prosthetic group R- are responsible for the identifiable

types of penicillin designated as penicillin F, dihydro F, G, K and X.

The  $\text{—C—N}$  group is thought to be



essential for antibiotic activity, for when this group is modified, e.g. as by hydrolysis to form penicilloic acid, the antibacterial activity is greatly diminished or completely lost. In the presence of mineral acids or alkalis the penicillins are changed into penicilloic acid, a dicarboxylic acid of the basic structure which is devoid of antibiotic activity. All of the penicillins form salts with sodium, potassium and similar cations as well as types of salts with basic amines owing to the presence of the carboxylic group. The potassium salt and the sodium salt are the most stable and are most frequently employed. Procaine penicillin is more stable and much less water-soluble (only 0.7%). As a rule the organic esters of penicillin are relatively ineffective when administered parenterally but are somewhat effective locally. Recently, however, the diethylaminoethyl ester of penicillin G in the form of the hydriodide has been shown to be quite effective following intramuscular injection. The blood levels and duration of effect are thought to be comparable to those achieved by an equivalent amount of procaine penicillin. Unlike

Penicillin F, R = 2-pentenyl-,  $\text{CH}_3\text{—CH}_2\text{—CH=CH—CH}_2\text{—}$

Dihydro F, R = n-amyl,  $\text{CH}_3\text{—CH}_2\text{—CH}_2\text{—CH}_2\text{—CH}_2\text{—}$

Penicillin G, R = benzyl,

Penicillin X, R = p-hydroxybenzyl,

Penicillin K, R = n-heptyl,  $\text{CH}_3\text{—CH}_2\text{—CH}_2\text{—CH}_2\text{—CH}_2\text{—CH}_2\text{—CH}_2\text{—}$



# SCURVY

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16-30 ds.	90	1	—	61	1	29	0
1 mo.	90	0	0	48	0	42	0
2 mo.	90	2	2.2	24	2	66	0
3 mo.	60	3	5.0	31	3	29	0
4 mo.	70	2	2.9	26	1	44	1
5 mo.	73	12	16.5	23	3	50	9
6 mo.	53	13	24.5	19	5	34	9
7 mo.	54	10	18.5	22	7	32	3
8 mo.	40	5	12.5	18	2	22	3
9 mo.	38	10	26.3	12	6	26	6
10 mo.	41	5	12.2	16	0	25	5
11 mo.	40	3	7.5	12	0	28	3
12-23 mo.	177	5	—	68	1	109	3
Total	1301	69	—	546	29	755	40

PREVALENCE OF SCURVY

Histological examination\* of bone structure in 1300 infant post mortems revealed that scurvy occurred more than 10 times as frequently as is usually shown by clinical diagnosis. The most susceptible age is from the fifth through the eleventh month, with approximately 17% of infants exhibiting the histological signs. Over half of the children with scurvy had never received supplemental vitamin C. How easy to prevent, when Florida citrus is so rich in vitamin C content — so convenient, so economical, and so pleasant to take!

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the other forms of penicillin, this agent is reported to cross the blood-brain barrier with ease and to have a special affinity for lung tissue.

**Pharmacology.** Penicillin is pharmacologically inert in that even greater than therapeutic doses have no effect on normal functions. It is rapidly absorbed following oral administration but requires about five times as much as the parenteral dose in order to obtain comparable blood levels. This is due to the fact that penicillin is partially inactivated by acid hydrolysis in the stomach. It is inactivated when administered rectally by coliform organisms which elaborate an enzyme, penicillinase, that rapidly destroys penicillin. When crystalline penicillin is administered intravenously it is practically all eliminated from the body within about three hours. An intramuscular dose of this form of penicillin, i.e. 50,000 units, reaches a maximal blood level within about 10 minutes, which is maintained for about two hours, and then gradually declines. More than 50 per cent of injected penicillin is eliminated in the urine in a biologically active form. In severe renal insufficiency the blood levels are maintained for a much longer period following a single dose. More than 80 per cent of the penicillin eliminated in the urine is a result of direct tubular excretion, the remainder being eliminated through glomerular filtration. Owing to the rapid rate of elimination of crystalline penicillin, various procedures have been devised and various forms of penicillin have been prepared specifically designed to maintain a high blood level following a single dose. Among these are the following:

1. Intramuscular administration of crystalline penicillin at intervals of two to three hours. This procedure is undesirable because of necessity for frequent injections and the frequent trauma.

2. Constant intravenous infusion of crystalline penicillin. Phlebitis may be a complication of this mode of administration which is now used only in patients moribund from infection.

3. Continuous intramuscular infusion of the potassium salt of penicillin G through a plastic tube. This method is especially effective in treating localized infections such as osteomyelitis.

4. The administration of caronamide (4'-carboxyphenylmethane sulfonamide) or benemid simultaneously with parenteral penicillin therapy. These agents effectively block renal

tubular excretion of penicillin, thereby maintaining a higher and more prolonged blood level. It might be pointed out that caronamide itself is not excreted by the renal tubules and probably acts here to inhibit the enzyme systems operative in the tubular excretion of penicillin. Benemid probably acts by the same mechanism of enzyme inhibition.

5. Penicillin in oil and beeswax designed to decrease the rate of absorption following intramuscular injection. This preparation has fallen into disrepute owing to the high incidence of local foreign body responses to the vehicle.

6. The procaine salt of penicillin G, usually suspended in an aqueous medium with a stabilizing and a dispersing agent. This form of penicillin is slowly absorbed from an intramuscular site of injection and produces a therapeutic blood level lasting from 24 to 48 hours following a single dose of 600,000 units.

7. Procaine penicillin G (micro-nized) in oil with 2 per cent aluminum monostearate. Three hundred thousand units intramuscularly of this preparation will produce therapeutic levels for 96 hours.

8. The diethylaminoethyl ester of penicillin G in the form of the hydrochloride. Similar to procaine penicillin as regards absorption and duration, it produces a higher cerebrospinal fluid level.

9. Other forms are penicillin for inhalation, U.S.P. (contraindicated in bronchial asthma and in patients known to be sensitive to penicillin); penicillin ointment, U.S.P.; penicillin tablets, U.S.P., for oral administration; penicillin troches, U.S.P., for local application to mucous membranes of the throat.

**Standardization.** Although penicillin is now a pure chemical compound, available in the form of stable salts, the potency and quantity are indicated in terms of units defined and established when this antibiotic was known only as a variable crude mixture of the several types of penicillin and estimated through bioassay procedures. One unit was defined as the amount which formed a zone of inhibition 24 mm. in diameter around a cylinder in an agar plate inoculated with a susceptible strain of *Staphylococcus aureus*. The international units of pure penicillin G in the form of its sodium salt is now defined as 0.6 of a microgram. Thus, 1 mgm. of this prepara-

tion is equivalent to 1667 such units. The arbitrary international unit based upon a specific amount of pure penicillin is almost identical with the old unit derived from bioassay procedures.

**The Antibiotic Spectrum and Principles of Penicillin Therapy.** Penicillin is effective against the following types of pathogenic organisms: (1) gram-positive cocci, (2) gram-positive bacilli, (3) gram-negative diplococci, (4) spirochetes.

In order for penicillin therapy to be efficacious, the etiologic agent must be sensitive to this antibiotic in therapeutically attainable blood or tissue levels. The organism must be reached by effective concentrations of penicillin. Walled off processes such as an abscess, bone marrow, joints and bursae, necrotic tissue and eye infections cannot be treated effectively, in most instances, by the systemic administration of penicillin.

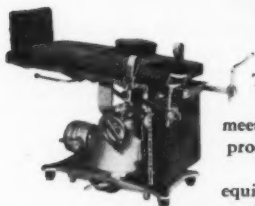
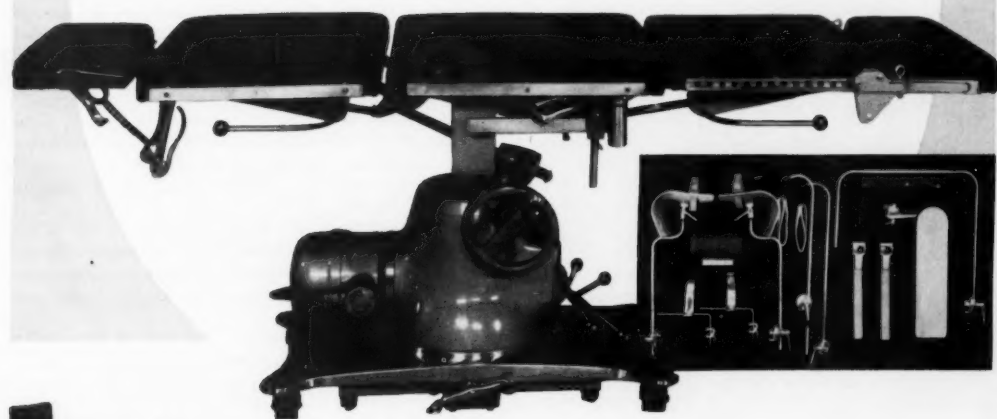
Organism susceptibility should be determined in critically ill patients, especially where there is some question as regards sensitivity. This should not delay therapy since such information can be obtained from simple swab technics and by blood cultures (blood sample drawn under sterile conditions just prior to initial therapy). The therapy should be continued sufficiently long to eliminate or greatly suppress the organism. Sensitivity tests serve only as a rough guide to desirable or necessary blood levels. Blood levels from two to 20 times that indicated by the approximate sensitivity tests may be necessary to eradicate the organism completely. In the final analysis, the response of the patient to treatment is the best guide to therapy as regards blood levels of any given antibiotic. Penicillin is highly effective and probably the antibiotic of choice in treating infections caused by the following organisms:

1. Gram-positive bacteria
  - Hemolytic streptococci—all groups
  - Streptococcus viridans*
  - Streptococcus fecalis*
  - Staphylococci* (susceptible strains)
  - Pneumococci*
  - B. anthracis*
  - Clostridia*
  - C. diphtheriae*
2. Gram-negative bacteria
  - Bonococcus*
3. Spirochetes
  - Syphilis, yaws
  - Spirillum minus*



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A variety of other bacteria are susceptible to the antibiotic effects of penicillin but probably much less so than to some of the newer antibacterial agents, such as aureomycin, terramycin and chloramphenicol, to be discussed later.

*Bacterial Resistance to Penicillin.* Bacteria which are ordinarily sensitive to penicillin may become resistant when subjected to subtherapeutic doses. Presumably a few organisms of a given strain survive, adapt themselves by mutation to the antibiotic and proliferate in its presence. New families of resistant strains may thus develop and retain their fastness even with repeated transfers. These organisms may ultimately replace the susceptible strains. Some bacteria are normally resistant to penicillin, such as *E. coli*, and have been shown to elaborate a substance, penicillinase, which rapidly inactivates penicillin.

The development of bacterial fastness to any antibiotic can be minimized or prevented by: (1) adequate initial therapy; (2) prolongation of the antibiotic therapy sufficiently to eradicate the pathogen completely; (3) avoiding the local and indiscriminate use of the antibiotics, especially in subclinical doses; (4) determination of the sensitivity index of a given organism and then administering many times the inhibitory dose.

*Untoward Effects From Penicillin.* In terms of therapeutic index, penicillin is probably the safest drug known. However, the incidence of untoward effects of this antibiotic, not directly related to its toxicity, has been estimated to range between 3 and 10 per cent. Some of the responses are relatively mild while others are of sufficient magnitude to contraindicate this drug. Among the commoner side effects are the following:

1. Penicillin rash—an allergic manifestation, sometimes urticarial in nature, generalized and associated with marked pruritis. In some cases this response may be controlled with antihistamines.

2. Dermatophytid reaction—noted in some patients with fungus infections of the skin. The local symptoms become exaggerated and there may be scaling of the hands and feet.

3. Thrombophlebitis following prolonged and continuous intravenous therapy as with the potassium salt of penicillin G, formerly employed in the treatment of subacute bacterial endocarditis.

4. Central nervous system irritation when administered intrathecally or intracisternally in concentrations of 1000 units per ml. or greater, or in a total dose exceeding 30,000 units.

5. The Jarisch-Herxheimer reaction may be seen in neurovascular and cardiovascular syphilis when full spirocheticidal doses of penicillin are administered in initial therapy. This is thought to be due to a massive destruction of the spirochetes with the liberation of "foreign proteins," producing a type of anaphylactoid response. The reaction may be avoided by the use of small doses of penicillin during initial therapy or by first attenuating the organisms with a less potent spirocheticide such as bismuth.

6. Fungus overgrowth. Oral reactions to the antibiotics have been observed with increasing frequency since the advent of inhalation and lozenge therapy with these agents. In the case of penicillin the changes in the oral cavity are described as glossitis, angular cheilosis and "black hairy tongue." These effects are due to changes in the oral flora, resulting in a predominance of *Monilia albicans*.

7. Angioneurotic edema, arthritis, erythema multiforme, chills and fever have been infrequently noted as untoward responses to penicillin therapy.

Sensitivity to pure penicillin or to the mold from which it is derived may occur.

*Dosage.* The dose of penicillin should vary with the nature and sensitivity of the infectious agent, route of administration and form of preparation. The average dose of the repository types of penicillin, such as procaine penicillin, for the usual infections is from 300,000 to 600,000 units intramuscularly one or twice daily. If oral medication with penicillin is preferred, the amount should be increased by three to five times and the interval shortened to three or four times daily one-half hour before meals or at least two hours after meals. In subacute bacterial endocarditis the dose of penicillin may be as high as 9,000,000 units per day, or more. With initial therapy in acute infections, crystalline penicillin, 100,000 units intramuscularly, is sufficient to establish a therapeutic level almost immediately. This level is then maintained by the longer acting forms.

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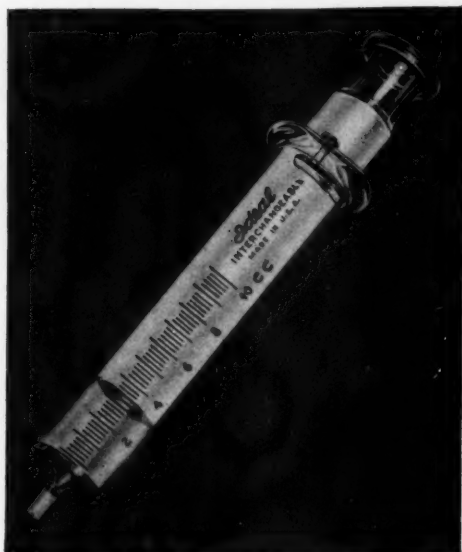
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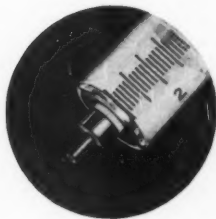
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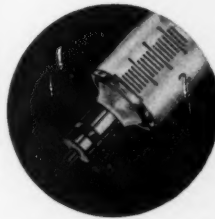


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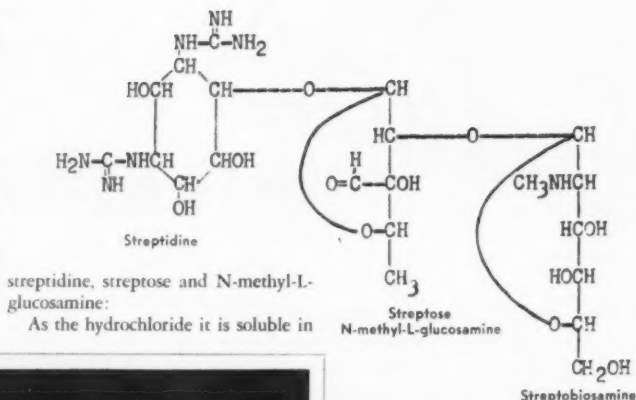
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water but insoluble in organic solvents. It is easily converted into the sulfate, the trihydrochloride and the calcium chloride double salt. The free functional carbonyl group of the streptose moiety can be reduced catalytically to form dihydrostreptomycin, the antibacterial activity of which is almost comparable to that of streptomycin. Commercially available streptomycin salts (containing not more than 3 per cent moisture) are quite stable at room temperature. The Food and Drug Administration no longer requires that these preparations be refrigerated. Solutions, however, are much less stable and should be kept under refrigeration.

**Pharmacology.** Following intramuscular injection, streptomycin rapidly enters the circulation and diffuses into the tissues. Almost negligible amounts gain access to the cerebro-spinal fluid from this route of administration. It is hardly absorbed at all by the oral route but exercises a sterilizing effect in the intestinal tract. From 20 to 35 per cent of the parenterally administered streptomycin appears in the urine within a period of two hours, and from 50 to 70 per cent within 12 hours. In subjects with renal insufficiency the drug is retained in the body for longer periods of time, producing an accumulative effect when administered at the usual intervals of every six to eight hours. Serious toxic effects may result in such cases.

The pharmacodynamics of streptomycin is confused by virtue of the fact that original lots produced effects which were later shown to be due to the presence of impurities. In contrast to penicillin, however, this antibiotic, even in pure form, exhibits some definite acute effects when administered



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1. Circulatory system. A gradual fall in blood pressure with intravenous doses of 200-400 mgm./kg. owing to paralysis of the vasomotor center. No direct cardiac effects have been observed as shown by the electrocardiogram.

2. Respiratory system. Small doses of streptomycin intravenously (in the order of 0.1 to 0.2 mgm./kg.) increase both the frequency and amplitude of respiration while doses 10 to 100 times as large cause respiratory depression. Respiratory depression is thought to be one of the first signs of acute poisoning from this antibiotic.

3. Hepatotoxic effects originally observed have been shown to be due to impurities. Pure streptomycin is devoid of hepatotoxic and renotoxic effects.

4. Neurotoxic effects. These will be discussed later in connection with the chronic administration of streptomycin and dihydrostreptomycin.

On the basis of its acute toxic effects in relation to its marked antibacterial activity, streptomycin is considered to possess a very wide margin of safety. However, certain untoward effects (to be discussed later) may be observed when this antibiotic is administered in therapeutic doses over long periods of time.

**Standardization.** The original method for the bioassay of streptomycin was based upon the inhibitory action of a given amount on a susceptible strain of bacteria. One unit is now defined as 1 microgram. Therefore one gram of pure streptomycin represents the activity of 1,000,000 units. The dose, however, is now established and spoken of usually in terms of weight rather than units.

**Spectrum and Principles of Therapy With Streptomycin and Dihydrostreptomycin.** Streptomycin differs from penicillin in several important respects. It is chiefly effective against gram-negative organisms, while penicillin is chiefly effective against gram-positive

organisms. Streptomycin acts as a bacteriostatic agent in low concentrations and as a bactericidal agent in high concentrations, while penicillin is usually bacteriostatic in the usual therapeutic blood levels. The exact mechanism of action of streptomycin is not understood but it is thought to involve a combination of its guanido groups with nucleic acid or with sulfhydryl groups essential for bacteria which are sensitive to this antibiotic. The effective blood level has been estimated to range between 6 and 10 micrograms per ml. of serum. Satisfactory chemotherapeutic levels are obtained from dose intervals of six to eight hours, and hence no efforts have been expended on repository forms since the drug is slowly eliminated from the body.

In order that this antibiotic be efficacious in therapy the invading pathogen must be adequately sensitive within the range of serum levels attainable by parenteral administration. The oral administration of streptomycin is occasionally employed for "sterilization" of the intestinal tract as a preoperative measure in abdominal surgery, but this route of administration is totally inadequate for treating systemic infections since it is hardly absorbed at all by the oral route.

In acute infections, organism sensitivity should be estimated in a manner similar to that described for penicillin. The therapy should be of sufficient intensity and duration to suppress greatly or completely eradicate the organism. When in doubt as to the nature of the pathogen or when it is impractical to isolate the bacteria, combined therapy of both penicillin and streptomycin may be indicated.

Streptomycin or its reduced form, dihydrostreptomycin, is thought to be a drug of choice in treating infections caused by: (1) *P. pestis* (when combined with sulfadiazine), (2) *P. tularensis*, (3) *K. pneumoniae* (Friedlander), (4) Ducrey's bacillus, (5) *M. tuberculosis* when combined with daily dosage of p-aminosalicylic acid. (PAS not only has a synergistic action with streptomycin against the tubercle bacillus but it also retards the development of resistant strains.)

Streptomycin and dihydrostreptomycin are quite effective against a variety of other bacteria but newer antibiotics are preferable for many of these and hence the list of infections indicating the use of streptomycin has



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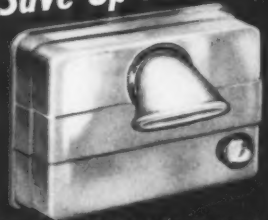
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gradually shrunk. While at present streptomycin is the drug of choice in the treatment of certain types of tuberculosis, new chemotherapeutic agents such as derivatives of isonicotinic acid may ultimately replace this antibiotic.

**Bacterial Resistance.** Of all the antibiotics commonly in use today streptomycin is most noted for the rapidity with which resistant strains of bacteria emerge. Certain bacteria have been rendered streptomycin-dependent, requiring the presence of this agent for their optimal growth. Colon bacilli can become resistant to one thousand times the original lethal concentration within one week. *M. tuberculosis*, a relatively slowly developing organism, requires about three months to manifest resistance to streptomycin. This can be greatly retarded by the combined use of p-aminosalicylic acid (12 grams per day by mouth in divided doses) and streptomycin or dihydrostreptomycin in the treatment of tuberculosis.

Because of the propensity of this antibiotic to render certain organisms fast to its antibacterial effects full therapeutic doses should be employed in any situation in which it is indicated. Organism sensitivity should be determined not only prior to initial therapy, where feasible, but periodically throughout the course of therapy. The dose should be adjusted to produce a serum level two to four times that to which the organism is sensitive, for once fastness develops, greatly increased doses may fail to control the infection. In the case of tuberculosis the best results have been obtained in miliary tuberculosis, tuberculosis of the larynx, trachea, bronchi and in tuberculous meningitis.

**Untoward Effects.** Serious toxic effects to date are commoner with streptomycin therapy than with penicillin or any other commonly used antibiotic. The most important of these are:

1. Neurotoxic action—manifested by disturbances in vestibular and auditory functions which may be irreversible. This type of response is most likely to occur in the chronic use of the drug as in the treatment of tuberculosis. Dihydrostreptomycin is thought to be less toxic in this regard and probably should be substituted for streptomycin when prolonged therapy is contemplated. To forestall serious eighth nerve damage, patients on chronic therapy with either streptomycin or

dihydrostreptomycin should have periodic hearing tests and tests for disturbances in vestibular function (caloric or syringe test).

2. Vascular reactions—generalized vascular reactions resembling the effects of histamine have been noted. These are a fall in blood pressure, generalized flush over the face and upper chest, and occasionally nausea and vomiting. These reactions are relatively rare and many observers have attributed them to impurities.

3. Allergic reactions are less common than with penicillin. These are skin rashes accompanied by eosinophilia, fever and arthralgia.

4. Tonic and clonic convulsions have been observed, though rarely, when streptomycin or dihydrostreptomycin was administered intracranially in the treatment of tuberculous meningitis.

**Dosage and Dosage Forms.** The dose range of streptomycin or dihydrostreptomycin varies between 0.5 and 1.0 gram two to three times daily, administered intramuscularly. For intrathecal use the concentration should not exceed 15 mgm./cc., administered slowly to prevent the occurrence of the nitritoid crisis seen with higher concentrations. Inhalation therapy has been employed in the form of a mist for the treatment of tuberculosis of the larynx, lung abscesses and chronic pulmonary infections involving susceptible organisms. A daily dose of 0.5 gram when administered with a suitable nebulizer at varying intervals during a 24 hour period has produced good results. For urinary tract infections streptomycin is thought to give better results if the urine is alkaline. Sodium bicarbonate or sodium citrate in a dose of 1 gram every six hours is usually sufficient to alkalinize the urine. In the treatment of tuberculosis, p-aminosalicylic acid, 6 to 12 grams daily in divided doses, is employed almost routinely (for reasons given) and is usually well tolerated.

Streptomycin is available as the trihydrochloride and as the sulfate. Dihydrostreptomycin is available as the sulfate salt. The calcium chloride complex is also available but is less frequently employed. Any of the salts may be administered in capsule form for the purpose of treating intestinal infections or for sterilizing the intestinal tract as a preoperative measure in abdominal surgery such as an intestinal resection. — THEODORE R. SHERROD, PH.D., M.D.

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It may not be an economy to buy live or dressed birds, especially if preparation time is considered. Of course, dressed birds cost more per pound than live ones, and ready-to-cook birds cost more per pound than dressed. But the dollar spent on live and dressed birds pays for more waste. Therefore, the actual cost per pound of ready-to-cook weight may be about the same, regardless of how the poultry is purchased. Watch prices and yield, taking into account labor costs in your institution.

For top quality poultry, look for the plump bird with well-fleshed breast and legs, well-distributed fat, and skin that has few, if any, blemishes and pinfeathers.

Some poultry is federally inspected for wholesomeness, some is graded for quality, and some is both graded and inspected.

This, the third of a series of articles designed to assist dietary department supervisors and administrators in small institutions with the operation of a food service, deals chiefly with food preparation and serving.

If poultry is to be cooked within a day or two after purchasing it should be stored at low temperature (35° to 40° F.). Otherwise, poultry should be frozen at 0° F. or lower. Thawing a frozen bird the day before it is to be prepared saves cooking time.

Thaw in a cold room, or in the refrigerator, allowing air to circulate around each bird. Draw as soon as thawed. A 20 pound turkey will take about two days to thaw. Thawing at room temperature is not advisable for large birds.

Turkeys now come both smaller and larger, and hence are adaptable to many uses: divided and prepared as "turkey parts"—halves, quarters, legs, breasts, or roasted whole for slicing. For institutional use, the large heavy-weight turkeys, for instance the "Broad Breasted Bronze," are an excellent choice. Toms of this type average 17 to 24 pounds ready-to-cook weight; hens, 10 to 14 pounds. The toms may weigh as much as 28 to 30 pounds ready-to-cook.

**Cooking.** To roast a whole turkey evenly, start it on one side of the breast, turn to the other side, and then to the back. Turn about every 1½ hours, basting with drippings every time the bird is turned. It is done when the joints can be moved easily.

Choose plump young chickens for broiling, frying or roasting. The smaller sizes are best for broiling. Young birds have smooth, tender skin; soft, tender meat, and a flexible breastbone. Older birds, suitable for stewing

or braising, have less tender meat, coarser skin, and a firm breastbone.

**Fish.**—Fish, whether fresh, frozen or canned, is a good protein food and should be used frequently, especially where it is less expensive than meat.

**Purchasing.** The most important points in buying fish are to buy only the amount needed for immediate use unless freezing facilities are available, and to be certain the fish is fresh.

**Cooking.** Fish is easy to cook, requiring a relatively short time and low temperature. Remember there are other methods than frying for cooking fish.

**Eggs.**—**Cooking.** Eggs are difficult to prepare in institutions chiefly because they usually must be served *hot* to be enjoyed. If there are several points of service, cooking equipment is needed at each place so that eggs can be served as cooked.

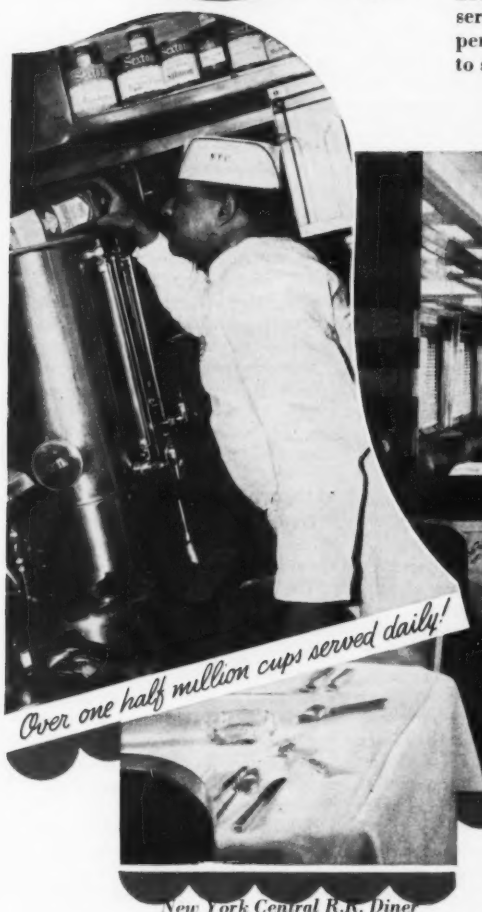
A grill is best for fried eggs. Cook directly on the grill, being careful that it doesn't get too hot. If eggs are cooked individually as served, a rounded lid over the egg will "self-baste" the top.

Use an automatic timer for soft or hard-cooked eggs. Otherwise, timing must be carefully watched. Unless they are started in cold water, eggs should be kept at room temperature for a short time before cooking so that the shells will be less likely to crack and cooking will be more nearly uniform. Keep water simmering (just below boiling). If allowed to boil, eggs will be tough.



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For larger amounts, a pound or more, measure the powder into a bowl, add one-half of the liquid and push the powder down under the liquid. Let stand for 5 minutes so that the powder will absorb water. Beat with a whip or beater until smooth, adding remainder of the liquid. Two tablespoons of firmly packed dried egg powder mixed with  $2\frac{1}{2}$  tablespoons of water equal one egg;  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup dried egg powder mixed with 1 cup (less 1 tablespoon) water equal 6 eggs.

Use dried eggs *only* in dishes that are to be thoroughly cooked.

**Coffee.**—Coffee is so important to most adults that its preparation is worth considerable effort and attention. The best method is to prepare coffee with freshly boiled water just before serving time. Then keep at a constant temperature and *never* repeat. Manufacturers' directions for use of equipment should be followed carefully.

#### KEEP EQUIPMENT CLEAN

Equipment should be kept scrupulously clean. If not, oil left from the previous brew will become rancid and impart an off-flavor to the following brew. After each meal, the urn should be thoroughly washed, rinsed and allowed to air; the coffee bag should be emptied, washed in clear water, and allowed to dry in a well ventilated place. Use a fresh coffee bag daily when large quantities of coffee are brewed. When a good technique has been developed, stick to it.

The reader may feel at this point that we favor, to an impractical degree, the "last minute" preparation of food. It cannot be denied that cooking during serving is best for many foods and that often employees rebel at this. There are supervisors, as well as cooks, who consider it best management to have every dish ready to go at serving time and the kitchen in apple pie order. In the interest of those served, serving time should be the kitchen employees' peak work period—not their rest period. Their adjustment to this

Table 1.—Approximate Scoop or Dipper Equivalents

Dipper Number	Approximate Equivalent Measure	Suggested Use
30	2 Tablespoons +	Drop cookies
20	3 Tablespoons +	Muffins, cupcakes, sauces
16	4 Tablespoons ( $\frac{1}{4}$ cup)	Muffins, desserts, croquettes
12	5 Tablespoons + ( $\frac{1}{5}$ cup)	Croquettes, vegetables, muffins, desserts, salads
10	6 Tablespoons +	Desserts, meat patties, vegetables, hot cereals
8	8 Tablespoons ( $\frac{1}{2}$ cup)	Luncheon dishes, creamed meats
6	10 Tablespoons + ( $\frac{3}{5}$ cup)	Luncheon salads

point of view may take time and may entail some revision of work schedules. However, this is sufficiently important to warrant more consideration than it often receives.

On the other hand, many foods such as cereals, certain desserts, some salad fillings, fruit, especially dried fruit, some casserole dishes, and many roasts (which slice better upon standing) can be prepared ahead of time or can be cooking during the service period without too much watching. Taking these factors into consideration when menus are being planned will eliminate having too many "last minute" foods.

**Milk.**—*Cooking.* Milk cookery as such may not be an individual problem since this food is generally combined with other food. However, a discussion of the use of two economical forms of milk, evaporated and nonfat dry milk, is included here.

When institutions must operate on a low-cost budget, the use of fluid whole milk is often restricted. Substantial savings can be made by using evaporated milk and nonfat dry milk, both of which are satisfactory forms of milk for many purposes.

Evaporated milk (whole milk with about half the water removed) can be diluted with equal quantities of water and used in the same manner as whole milk in puddings, cooked cereals, creamed soups, vegetable dishes, sauces, custards and baked goods. Some people enjoy it as a beverage; undiluted it can be used in place of cream in coffee.

Nonfat dry milk is inexpensive, easy to use, and easy to store. Its flavor has been so improved in the last few years that in addition to its many uses

in cooking, it is well liked as a beverage. Reconstituted, it can replace fluid or evaporated milk in the dishes mentioned or it can be used in some baked goods without being reconstituted.

For 1 quart of reconstituted milk, use 1 cup or 4 ounces of nonfat dry milk and 4 cups of warm water (or follow the manufacturers' proportions). Sprinkle dry milk on top of warm water and beat well with rotary beater, whip or power mixer. This method helps keep the dry milk from lumping and sticking to the bowl. Never add dry milk to boiling water.

When recipes contain a large proportion of dry ingredients, for example, bread, biscuits, muffins and cake, dry milk may be mixed with the other dry ingredients.

#### ATTRACTIVE SERVICE

Portioning food is most important because it affects the attractiveness of the plates served, as well as food costs.

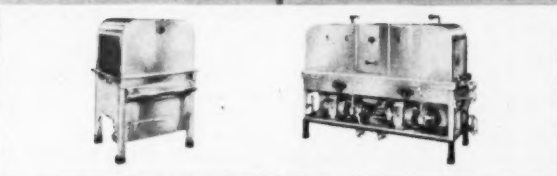
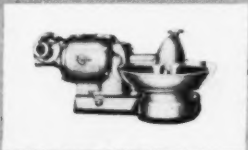
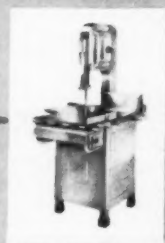
The portion size should be the one best suited to the needs and preferences of the group. If portion size is too large, it may dull the appetite and result in waste. Once a portion size is determined, adhere to it and estimate servings from recipes that call for this portion size.

Portion control and cost control are inseparable inasmuch as quantities of food to be purchased are most efficiently determined by portion yields of recipes. When portion control is not observed, purchase estimates will be largely hit or miss, resulting either in a shortage of supplies or waste and increased cost of food.

Whenever possible, portion food in the kitchen by using individual dishes for desserts, cutting cakes and pies

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routinely into a predetermined number of pieces, and preparing meat in individual servings. Standard scoops are useful for portioning soft foods, such as mashed potatoes, dressing and ice cream. Table 1 gives the approximate size scoops to use for average servings of various types of food.

Attractive food service and control of food temperatures in a cafeteria are not too difficult to achieve. The counter can be arranged invitingly. Proper

equipment will keep food at correct serving temperatures. Freshly cooked supplies of those foods that deteriorate rapidly on standing will assure good flavor.

In institutions where the food service is distant from the kitchen, it may be difficult to keep food in good condition. When this situation exists, all factors adversely affecting the food quality during transit and serving should be studied and changes should

be made to correct weak points. If the use of heated conveyors from the kitchen to service is not possible, other measures can be tried. For example, insist that food be put into hot containers and then speed the trip to the point of service, avoiding drafts, cold halls, and elevators whenever possible. Serve food *immediately* on heated plates.

The next article in this series concerns nutritional and food cost accounting.

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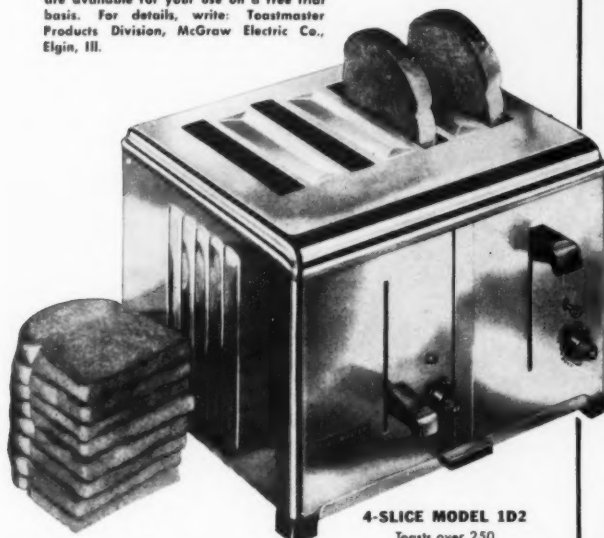
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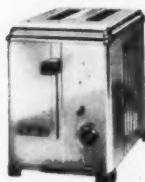
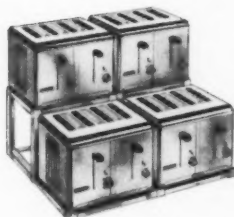
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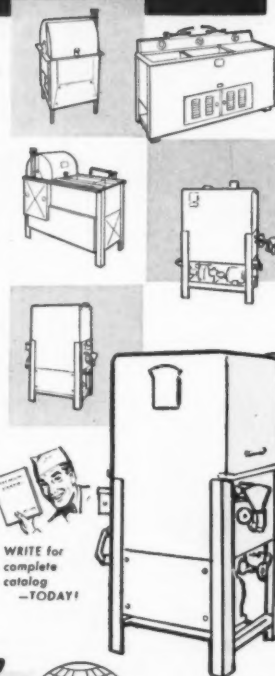
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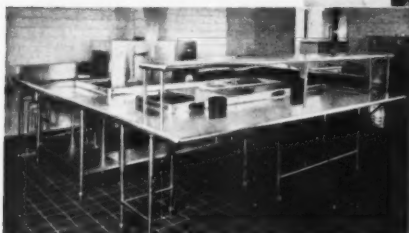
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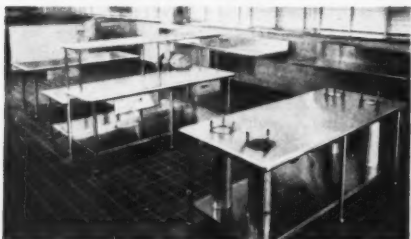
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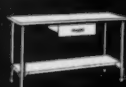
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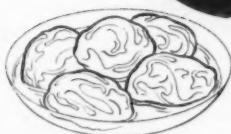
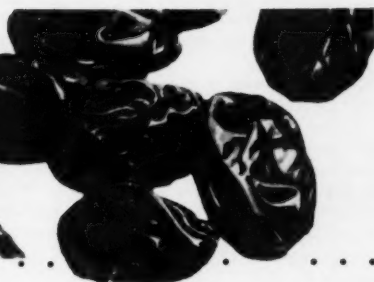
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<p><b>1</b></p> <p>Stewed Raisins Crisp Bacon, Muffins</p> <p>New England Dinner: Potato-Carrots-Cabbage- Onions Spiced Apple Salad Creamed Tapioca</p> <p>Split Pea Soup Cheese Fondue Stewed Tomatoes Fruit Cup Brownies</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>Orange Halves Scrambled Eggs</p> <p>Roast Beef, Gravy Browned Potatoes Buttered Peas Relishes, Carrot Curis Celery Sticks Apricot Dessert</p> <p>Vegetable Soup Creamed Chicken Steamed Rice Asparagus Frozen Fruit Salad</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>Grapefruit Poached Egg</p> <p>Pork Chop Mashed Potatoes Baked Squash Head Lettuce Salad Baked Apple</p> <p>Baked Potato Creamed Chipped Beef Chef's Salad Caramel Custard</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>Applesauce Pancakes and Sirup</p> <p>Broiled Liver Escalloped Potatoes Acorn Squash Relishes Coconut Cream Pie</p> <p>Chili con Carne Wholewheat Muffins Green Salad Apricot Upside-Down Cake</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>Fruit Compote Bacon, Muffins</p> <p>Pot Roast, Gravy Steamed Potato Green Lima Beans Coleslaw With Caraway Seed Pineapple Fluff</p> <p>Tomato Soup Chicken Fricassee, Steamed Rice Buttered Green Beans Olives, Celery Sticks Pineapple Sherbet Wafers</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Orange Juice Soft Cooked Eggs</p> <p>Roast Beef Browned Potato, Gravy Whole Kernel Corn Beet Salad Butterscotch Pudding</p> <p>Escalloped Tuna Stewed Tomatoes Celery Hearts Chef's Salad Lemon Pie</p>
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## The Right Communication System

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### PART I

**W**HAT can be done about the acute shortage of nursing personnel?

An approach which was used at St. Luke's Hospital, Cleveland, to ease this problem was to install a more highly developed and efficient system of communication between the patient and the nurse. Modern advancements in the field of electronics and the application of these principles to our specific hospital problems have resulted in a system which is far more efficient than the conventional types of hospital communication systems heretofore employed. At the same time, it has enabled the nursing staff to render better care to the patient. With the help of this new communication system, we have been able to operate the same facilities with reduced nursing staffs, resulting from the general nurse shortage.

This new medium is a two-way voice system. The patient voices his request by speaking in a normal tone from any position in bed, and he is answered immediately by voice from the nurses' station. In this way the request can be promptly fulfilled. The patient's signaling device is then automatically placed in position for a future call.

#### TEST PERIOD SUCCESSFUL

Following a test period on two nursing divisions, we decided to install the two-way voice system on all nursing divisions in the hospital. During our experience with the operation of this communication system, it has proved itself to be a considerable time and traffic saver to the nursing personnel. It has enabled the nurses to render more service to the patient much more promptly than ever before. The saving of steps and reduction of associated fatigue has enabled the nurse to spread her energy to more patients. It is pos-

sible to organize the nursing staff on the division more efficiently with the help of this type of communication system. It has a desirable effect on morale of the nursing personnel.

#### SYSTEM NOT COSTLY

This modern communication system is not costly. When all accommodations in the hospital are completely installed, the cost per bed is not high. The bulk of the labor to install the system can be supplied by the maintenance department under competent supervision, which greatly reduces the cost. The savings in salaries of nursing personnel will amortize the initial investment in a short time.

Many methods of patient-nurse communication have been used and are now being used in hospitals. All have advantages and disadvantages.

Communication systems making use of sound alone to make contact between the patient and the nurse are undesirable because the noise is irritating to those not concerned. The "holer" method, the hand bell, and the buzzer come under this category. There are some sound systems installed at present in which a soft toned chime is used. This chime is much less disturbing to patients and meets with few if any complaints. The chief objection to the straight sound system is that the nurse must travel to the patient's bedside in order to learn his needs. She must then return, perhaps to the nurses' station or some other room, to locate the object of the request, and return to the patient's bedside. The total travel involved—two round trips between the nurses' station and the patient's bedside.

Another disadvantage is that a nurse may answer the patient's buzzer or bell and, rather than look for a nurse's aide who could actually carry out the

request, perform the duty herself. Thus, skilled nursing time is spent where it could have been saved and applied in caring for a more seriously ill patient or in a procedure which requires the skill of a nurse.

A type of nurse call system used widely in hospitals today is the light system with either the pull cord or the push button type of signaling device. The pull cord station consists of a tumbler or toggle switch mounted in the wall above the bed. This switch is operated by a pull cord.

The push-button signaling device consists of a pear shaped housing unit connected with a rubber insulated cord to a large plug which fits into a wall receptacle.

In order to initiate a call, the patient either pulls down on the cord or depresses the center of the locking push button located at his bedside. A circuit is then closed, lighting a numbered lamp at the nurses' station which tells the nurse the room from which the call originated. A lamp is lighted in the corridor directly over the entrance to the patient's room and lamps are also lighted in the utility rooms and diet kitchens in some of these systems. In the more elaborate light systems, a signal lamp is provided at each bed so that the nurse, upon entering a multiple bed ward, can immediately determine which patient placed the call. Some of these light systems also provide a signaling device in the patient's toilet and bath.

#### PROS AND CONS OF LIGHT SYSTEM

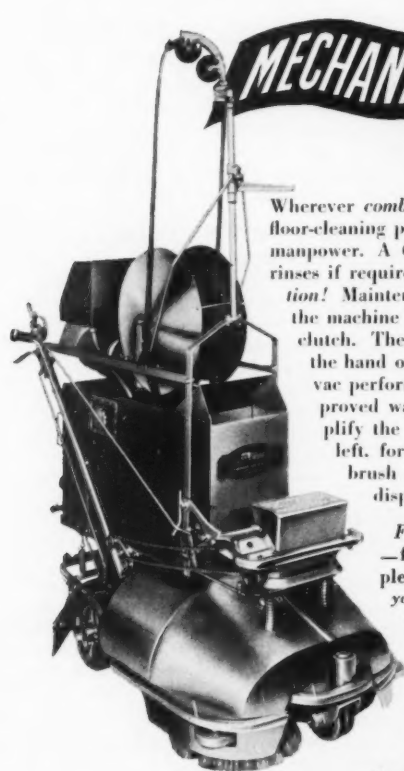
The main advantages of light communication systems are that they are quiet, simple, safe and inexpensive. An important disadvantage is that light signals are not always seen by the nurse and may go unanswered. In order to avoid this pitfall, some hospitals have stationed a person in the vicinity of the light panel with sufficient other clerical tasks assigned to her so as to form a complete job. The most significant disadvantage of any light system is the same as that of the straight sound systems—the nurse must travel to the patient's room in order to learn the nature of his request. A contingent disadvantage is that a nurse may answer a call which could have been answered and fulfilled by a nurse's aide. This wastes skilled nurse time.

In the light systems involving the pull cord signaling device, the nurse or person answering the call must turn the patient's switch to the up position (reset) while she is in the patient's





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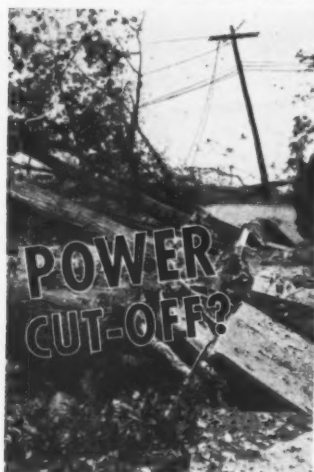
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room. Occasionally, when the patient is well enough, he may reset his own switch so that it is ready for a later call; however, in most instances it is done by the nurse. This makes a trip to the patient's bedside mandatory for each call. A disadvantage to the toggle switch signaling device has been said to be that the noise of the switch may disturb another patient in the same or adjoining room. This noise, if prevalent, can be eliminated by the use of the mercury switch.

With the locking push-button signaling device, the patient can reset his own signal by depressing the outer rim area of the device, in which case the button returns to the off position and the lights are turned off. This patient-reset feature has gained wide acceptance.

#### COMBINATION LIGHTS AND BUZZER

There are also patient-nurse communication systems in use involving a combination of lights and buzzers. The buzzer can either be sounded intermittently by the patient when his call is not promptly answered, or it may be set to provide audible warning after a predetermined time, say five minutes, should the signal not have been answered.

The advantage of the combination system is that there is assurance that the patient's call will not go unnoticed. However, the buzzer signal, as mentioned previously, is disturbing. And it is true that some patients with a buzzer signal in their control can irritate many other patients and cause distress to the nursing staff. A chime would undoubtedly be a much better choice for systems of this type. The objection previously mentioned to any system using lights for initial contact is that some calls may not be answered promptly unless a person is stationed to watch the panel.

The chief disadvantage again is the requirement that the nurse must travel to the patient's room in order to learn the patient's request.

One of the earliest voice communication systems is the one-way system in which there is patient to nurse voice communication only. The feeling behind making only the one-way voice installation was that about 5 per cent of the patient calls required an immediate answer. We have found this percentage to be much higher and many steps have been saved with the two-way voice system.

In this one-way voice system, the

microphone is mounted on a swinging arm at each patient's bedside and connected to a loud speaker installed in the nurses' station, utility room, and other places where the nurses might be employed. The patient requiring attention draws the microphone toward him, switches it on and states his name and his request. The switch lights a signal lamp in each room indicating to other patients that the system is in use and cannot be used by them until the signal light disappears.

A distinct advantage of the one-way voice system is that the patient can voice his request to the nurses' station and the proper person can be dispatched to fulfill the request. This alone saves many steps to the patient's bedside. One of the disadvantages in this system is that the patient does not receive a prompt acknowledgement of his call. He never has the assurance that his voice is actually being heard. The chief disadvantage is that for every call registered there must be at least one trip to the bedside. Many of the patient's requests are simply for information which could be answered from the nurses' station with a two-way voice system and thereby save a trip to the patient's room.

#### TWO-WAY VOICE SYSTEMS

There have been two-way voice communication systems in a few hospitals for some time, but it has been only recently that certain improvements have resulted in a really acceptable system.

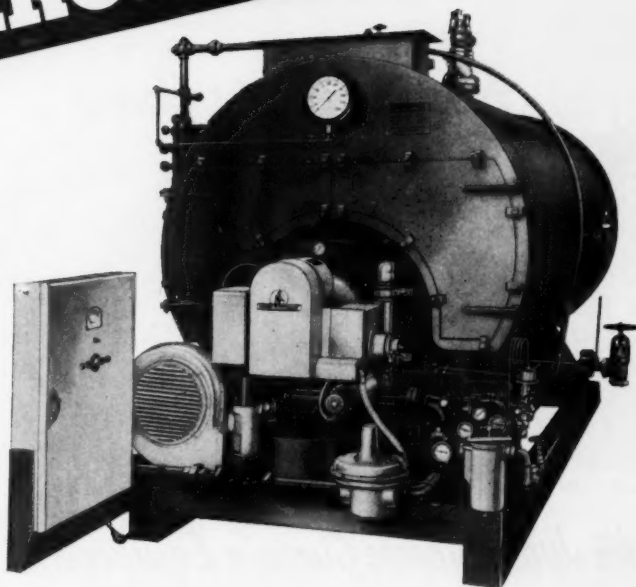
There are some two-way patient-nurse communication systems in which the patient operates a switch to talk and listen. The patient's request is transmitted to a loudspeaker installed in the nurses' station. There is also a buzzer which the patient can sound by moving his switch to the proper position.

This two-way system has many advantages. The patient can voice the nature of his request which will usually save at least one trip to the bedside. The nurse acknowledges his request through a microphone at the nurses' station which assures the patient promptly that his request will be fulfilled.

The disadvantage with this type of two-way voice system, however, has been that the nurse must still travel to the patient's bedside in order to reset the patient's signal. Those systems which now incorporate the automatic reset feature, suggested by Dr. Fred G.

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Carter, superintendent of St. Luke's Hospital, have overcome this requirement of a trip to the patient's bedside to reset the signal.

It is important to consider the patient carefully in the installation of any equipment he will use. It is important also to keep the operation of equipment as simple as possible, and the number of gadgets the patient will operate down to a minimum. It is difficult for a seriously ill patient to keep in mind that he must press a switch to talk, and release it to listen. The same reasoning would apply to the

buzzer which the patient operates in the previously described system.

There are some two-way voice communication systems in use in which the patient's microphone and speaker are mounted on a portable pedestal type of construction. The patient presses the call button, which sounds a buzzer at the nurses' station and also turns on a signal light which identifies the room calling. The dome light in the corridor above the doorway to the room also goes on simultaneously. Hearing the buzzer, the nurse at the station snaps the talk key which permits conversa-

tion with the patient. The master unit is equipped with an earphone which may be used for confidential conversation. Lifting the earphone automatically cuts out the loud-speaker.

This system has many advantages especially regarding reduction in nurse traffic and in dispatching the proper person to answer the call. The chief disadvantage is where the automatic reset feature is lacking, making it necessary for a member of the nursing staff to travel to the bedside to reset the signal. There are also objections regarding the buzzer noise and movable equipment in the patient's room.

#### REQUIREMENTS OF GOOD SYSTEM

Following a study of the various types of patient-nurse communication systems and considering our current problems, we decided upon certain features which a system must have in order to be satisfactory. It must:

1. Be simple to operate.
2. Be quiet or free from irritating features.
3. Permit prompt acknowledgment of the patient call.
4. Save nurse traffic.
5. Permit better and more efficient use of ward nursing personnel.
6. Provide the nurse or doctor with a means of acquiring immediate assistance when required without leaving the patient's bedside.
7. Be dependable with a minimum of maintenance.
8. Be acceptable to patients, doctors and nurses.

The two-way voice communication we selected met all these requirements.

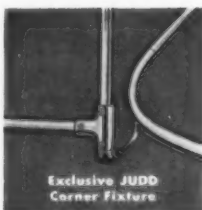
Some administrators have felt that audible communication systems might encourage patients to make greater demands on the nurses' time. We have found, however, that the effect of a thoughtfully chosen and reliable signaling system embodies a psychological component. When a patient is assured that the nurse can be summoned at any time with certainty, groundless fears have little opportunity to arise, and calls for attendance decline.

A dependable system also relieves the nurse of much anxiety in leaving the bedside of a seriously ill patient to care for others. A good communication system can be one of the best tools of good patient care on the ward and is coming to the fore even more with the rapidly mounting problem of nursing staff shortages.

A detailed explanation of the system installed at St. Luke's will be presented in these pages in the November issue.



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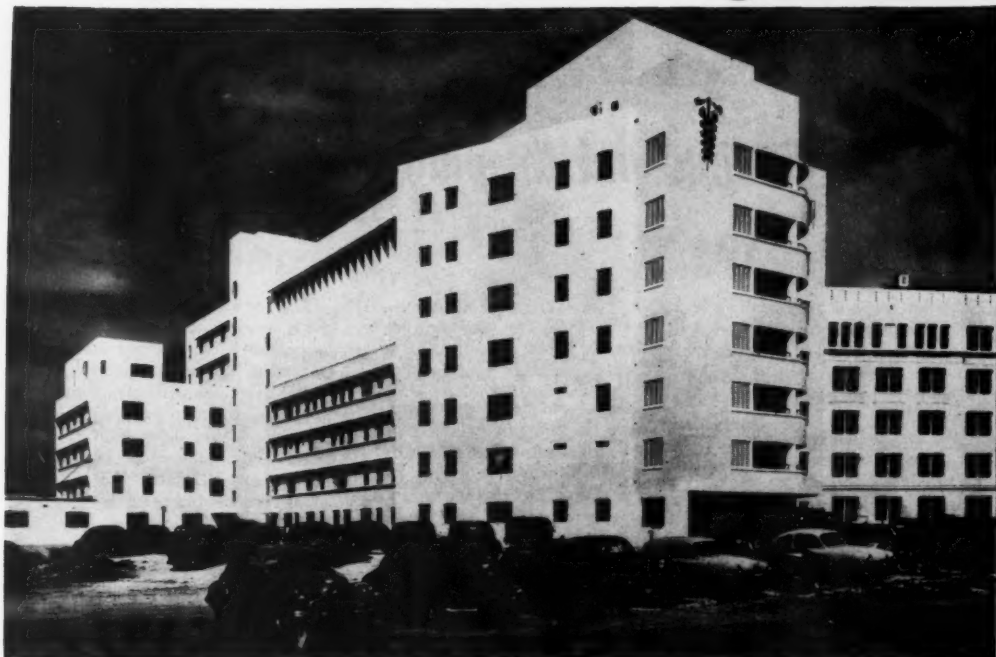
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The relationship of personnel to the hospital is a vital subject which covers a wide area. It behooves us to seek and find the best people possible for the work to be done. With few employees available and with many of these inexperienced, the problem of quantity and quality from workers already on the pay roll becomes increasingly important.

#### WHAT MAKES WORKERS WORK?

An experiment conducted by the Western Electric Company in Chicago gave valuable data on the important question, "What Makes Workers Work?" The controlling factor in work production, the experts concluded, was mental attitude; also the fact that each employee wanted to feel needed and important. As Dr. Donald A. Laird, an industrial psychologist, says: "The worker brings only his ability to work, and the company is responsible for his attitudes."

From a paper presented at the Upper Midwest Hospital Conference, St. Paul, May 1952.

One of the first requirements for success in selecting anything is to know, as nearly as possible, what is wanted; the selecting of employees is no exception. Probably more than half of the errors made in personnel selections are due (1) to a failure to determine carefully, in advance, what traits are important, and (2) to make full use of such information when it is obtained. The person in charge of hiring should suggest detailed practical methods that a supervisor can use to prepare workable job specifications. She should also determine what the applicants are seeking in a job.

In carrying out the first responsibility of developing sources of labor supply, the executive housekeeper or personnel manager must not only keep in touch with the obvious sources, such as the local U.S. Employment Service and schools, but she must also make the hospital known in its community as a good place to work. One of the best methods open to anyone hiring workers is to help create a group of satisfied employees within the hospital who will recommend it to their friends and acquaintances who are seeking employment.



Another means is to conduct vocational tours through the hospital for young people as a part of the school curriculum in the community. Some of the larger industrial plants use lectures and motion pictures to impress upon prospective employees the satisfaction and advantages of working in their plants. Hospitals could well adopt the same practices.

#### PROMOTING FROM WITHIN

Still another important consideration in connection with developing sources of labor supply, and I can't stress this strongly enough, is a fact greatly emphasized by leading authorities that the first and best source lies within the organization itself. Promotion from within is a policy that deserves to be practiced whenever possible. Under such a plan employees become excellent salesmen because they then will emphasize the advantages and minimize the disadvantages. Nearness to the hospital, the companionship going to and from work, and an understanding attitude toward the new worker are assets the hospital can offer. Friendly relations means happy employees, something which money cannot buy.

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A small handbook should be given each new employee so that he may be familiar with all hospital policies. He also will know what the hospital expects of him and he in turn will know what to expect from management.

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To simplify the issue, therefore, it may be said the floor can be used to perform the following functions:

- 1) To ground personnel and equipment in operating rooms, thus helping to equalize electrical potential and prevent the formation of static sparks.
- 2) To insulate personnel in the operating rooms to preclude the possibility of electrical shock due to faulty equipment.

Since these two purposes are opposed to each other, we conclude and maintain that one cannot be achieved without affecting the other.

Further, we maintain that grounding of the floor is by far the most important function of the two because—

- 1) The static spark is more prevalent, more elusive and, therefore, harder to control than the shock hazard.
- 2) Any floor (even wood) when wet is very conductive and gives little protection against shock.
- 3) The hazard of operating room explosions caused by static spark heavily outweighs that caused by electric shock.
- 4) The electric shock hazard can, and must, be controlled by complete compliance with National Electrical Codes and strict maintenance of all operating room equipment.
- 5) Floors embodying elements of electrical resistance are not usually stable as regards conductivity, and many of them are impractical for operating suites from a viewpoint of maintenance, wear, appearance, and color.

Believing, therefore, that an adequately grounded floor is most practical for operating



suites, we submit the following specification for use by architects and hospitals to achieve maximum static spark control in operating rooms.

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Hospital operating room suites shall have adequate provision for the control of static electricity by the use of grounded metal grids. These grids shall be made of 14 B&S gauge (1/16") brass or zinc, assembled to insure positive contact within each section. Individual sections of grids, and smaller sections where needed shall be fabricated in the shop to fit the job measurements. Sections shall have strips spaced to give maximum surface contact of 1 1/2". These sections shall be assembled at the job.

Sections shall be joined by the contractor at the time of installation by brass bars, nuts and bolts, not soldered. Thresholds at door openings separating corridors or rooms having grids should be provided with similar grids so that there is no space more than 2" without grids. Thresholds shall be electrically connected by means of copper wire to the major portions of the grids. A heavy gauge copper wire, soldered to a metal strip and to a water pipe, is used to ground the grid.

All conductive rubber casters, knobs, etc., as well as brass or bronze chains used for contacting the grids shall be cleaned daily with alcohol. This cleaning is required to remove any foreign

matter which might have accumulated during the course of an operation and which might prevent good electrical contact.

### **SUMMARY**

The advantages of a floor constructed in accordance with the above specifications are:

- a) It controls the static spark hazard by the grounding of operating suite equipment and personnel.
- b) It retains its assured conductivity for life and is unaffected by wear, washing, or maintenance, or by occupational hazards peculiar to an operating room.
- c) It is designed for long life and freedom from replacement or repair.
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# NEWS DIGEST

**Commission Defends Staff Meeting Standard . . . Pathologists Define Ethical Hospital Relationship . . . A.H.A. Proposes Institute of Hospital Affairs . . . Science Editor Challenges Doctors' Ethics**

## Accreditation Commission Defends Staff Meeting Standard Attacked by "GP"

CHICAGO.—In an editorial aimed at eliminating "unnecessary" hospital staff meetings, the magazine *GP*, official journal of the American Academy of General Practice, characterized staff meetings as "the least essential and productive" of medical meetings and urged doctors to take steps to eliminate them.

"The American College of Surgeons doesn't impose any such requirement (monthly staff meetings) for approval," the magazine stated. "Anyway, the American College of Surgeons is no longer in charge of hospital approval; it's been taken over by the Joint Commission on Hospital Accreditation. And they haven't said so."

Actually, present college requirements, according to the A.C.S. manual of hospital standardization, call for either a monthly staff meeting or, as an acceptable alternative, departmental conferences and clinical-pathologic conferences monthly, plus quarterly meetings of the entire staff.

Dr. Edwin L. Crosby, executive director of the new Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals, said that at the present time commission standards for accreditation are the college standards as set forth in the manual, including the provision for monthly staff meetings or the alternative of monthly departmental or clinical-pathological conferences. This standard will remain in effect, Dr. Crosby stated, until any proposals for change have been fully studied and approved by the full commission.

While the commission has received a number of letters requesting modification of the hospital staff meeting requirement, Dr. Crosby said, no action could be taken on any such proposal until an official committee of the commission can be organized to study the problems involved.

Many such letters have come from physicians who serve on the staffs of several hospitals in their communities and are thus required to attend hospital

staff meetings a number of times every month, Dr. Crosby explained. In the *GP* editorial, doctors were described as being "sick and tired of the multitudinous medical meetings that intrude on family life, personal relaxation, and professional time."

"Why don't you do something about it?" the magazine asked its readers. "You can eliminate some of the unnecessary meetings in your community, if you'll make a beginning."

"Nearly everyone agrees that there are too many meetings. There is also agreement that the least essential and productive is the time-honored hospital staff meeting. Already a few enlightened medical communities have taken steps to eliminate unnecessary hospital staff meetings. Why not yours?"

"Here's the way to do it: At the very first meeting of your county medical society this fall, ask for the floor, rise and read this editorial. Then move that a committee be appointed to survey the local situation and make recommendations. (Previously, you have arranged for a friend to second your motion and have told the president you want to be on the committee.)"

"Once the committee is appointed you call in a member of each of the local hospital staffs and the various academies, study clubs, research groups, and mutual admiration societies that hold regular meetings. Get an agreement that none meet oftener than once every three months. Group pressure from those who agree will persuade those who are inclined to hold out."

"The first person who objects that you must have monthly staff meetings is asked to prove it. Who said so? The answer is no one. It isn't true. The American College of Surgeons doesn't impose any such requirement for approval. Anyway, the American College of Surgeons is no longer in charge of hospital approval; it's been taken over by the Joint Commission on Hospital Accreditation. And they haven't said so."

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## Dates Announced for Two Human Relations Sessions

CHICAGO.—So successful was the Educational Conference on Human Relations held in San Francisco earlier in the year that the American College of Hospital Administrators has planned similar conferences for its fellows, members and nominees in the East and Middle West.

Dates for the New York conference are October 20 and 21 in the Hotel Statler. The Chicago dates are November 7 and 8, and the conference will be held at the Congress Hotel. These conferences are in no way duplicates of the ones held in Chicago and Atlantic City in 1951, the college announces.

## Blood Bank Association Plans Annual Meeting

DALLAS, TEX.—Administrative and economic aspects of blood bank operation are scheduled for presentation and discussion during the fifth annual meeting of the American Association of Blood Banks at Milwaukee, October 9 to 11, Marjorie Saunders, association secretary, announced here last month.

In addition to clinical reports, the program includes a number of discussions on such subjects as coverage of transfusion cost in hospitalization insurance, blood typing, exchange of blood and blood credit among banks, the national blood program, medical legal problems in blood bank operation, and administrative problems.

## A.C.H.A. Candidates Urged to Submit Requests

CHICAGO.—With the curtain barely rung down on the annual meeting of the American College of Hospital Administrators in Philadelphia last month, the credentials commission of the college will meet soon to consider candidates for advancement and admission to the college. Candidates therefore are urged to submit their requests at once in order to ensure consideration when the committee meets.

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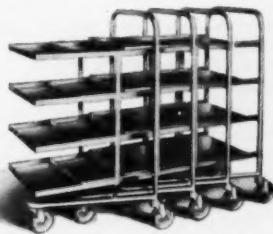
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## NEWS...

### Hospital Research and Educational Center Proposed; University Affiliation Sought

CHICAGO.—Favorable response to American Hospital Association proposals to establish an Institute of Hospital Affairs was indicated here last month as hospital administrators prepared to attend the association's annual convention at Philadelphia, where the proposals were to receive formal consideration by the House of Delegates (see Convention Digest, p. 51).

As presented in association publications, the plan would establish a research and educational center for the hospital field in connection with a midwestern university. The proposal was approved in principle by the association's board of trustees last June as a means of centralizing and expanding present association activities and developing programs, particularly of education and research, not now conducted in the field of hospital administration.

The proposed institute would require a physical plant to house education and research activities, it was reported. "Space would be available for the American College of Hospital Administrators and other groups affiliated with the hospital field that might wish to join in the utilization of central services," an association statement said. "The building would also provide facilities for research in better hospital operation, and, in general, would serve as a hospital administration clearing house."

To increase the educational value of the proposed institute, affiliation with a university is contemplated. "The university would be asked to establish a scientific committee to advise on the validity of research and educational activities," the association declared. "Through university affiliation, the staff of the institute would have the benefit of close association with the university faculty of the hospital administration program, as well as with the faculties of the schools of business, medicine, architecture, law and industrial relations."

The universities under consideration for affiliation for the institute were not named in association publications; however, it was reported that association officials had explored possibilities for institute development with both the University of Chicago and Northwestern University here.

"In considering the financing of an Institute of Hospital Affairs," the association statement concluded, "the board of trustees authorized informal discussions with a philanthropic foundation that has shown an interest in the association and its activities. The purpose of these discussions will be to determine whether the foundation might consider making a substantial grant to provide the necessary medical facilities and the financing of the institute program for a five-year period."

While initial reactions to the announcements were generally favorable, some administrators raised a question as to the status of the American College of Hospital Administrators if the proposed institute, with its expanded educational activities, were to become a fact.

### Finance Commission Faces Four Big Questions

CHICAGO.—To the study of four problems, the Commission on Financing Hospital Care will devote a major portion of its resources, it was announced last month by George Bugbee, executive director of the American Hospital Association, sponsor of the commission. The problems are:

1. What are the elements of hospital costs and what factors affect these elements? Can hospital costs be reduced?
2. How can prepayment plans more effectively serve the public and the hospital?
3. What can be done to provide more nearly adequate financing of hospital care for persons receiving public assistance and social security benefits? How can the problems of financing hospital care for low income and rural families be met more satisfactorily?
4. What can doctors and hospitals do, working together, to bring higher standards of care to the public and at the same time keep costs as low as possible?

High priority on the list will go to a study of methods for determining the amount of payments to hospitals by third-party agencies. A study now under way deals with prepayment plan coverage of various population groups.

Studies contemplated deal with factors affecting costs of hospital care,

prepayment plan benefits, utilization of prepaid protection, an evaluation of the entire problem of financing hospital care by public welfare agencies, and doctor-hospital relationships.

### Tax Ruling Is Setback to Fee-Splitting Foes

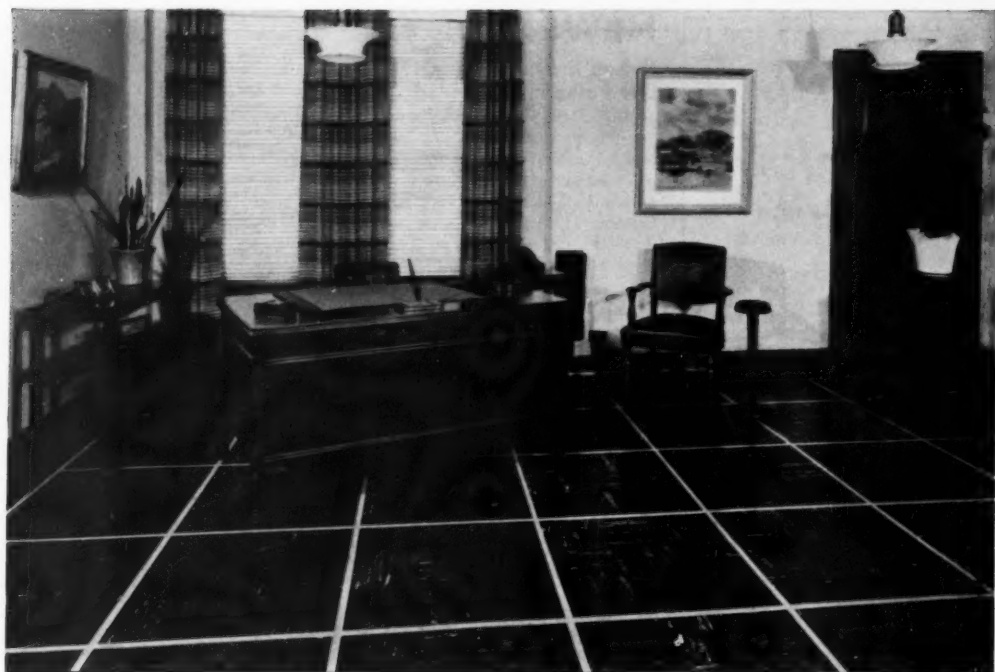
WASHINGTON, D.C.—A ruling issued by the Bureau of Internal Revenue here last month holds that the deductibility as business expense of "reasonable payments made by a surgeon on a split-fee basis to physicians who refer patients to him" must be determined in the light of all the circumstances in each individual case.

Actually, the ruling will not substantially change existing internal revenue practice, under which split-fee payments are either allowed or disallowed as deductible business expense on physicians' income tax statements according to the local collector's judgment as to whether or not such payments may properly be considered "ordinary and necessary business expense," considering prevailing practices in the community.

However, the ruling did constitute somewhat of a setback for the American College of Surgeons, the American Medical Association, and other voluntary organizations interested in combating fee-splitting. College officials had expressed hope that the bureau might issue a ruling indicating that all such referral payments should be disallowed as deductible business expense on the ground that fee-splitting is contrary to public policy as expressed in the ethical codes and statements of financial principles laid down by national professional organizations.

In contrast, the present ruling states that as a general rule referral payments are deductible for federal income tax purposes, provided they "are normal, usual and customary in the profession and in the community, are appropriate and helpful in obtaining business, and do not frustrate sharply defined national or state policies evidenced by a governmental declaration prescribing particular types of conduct."

Under this ruling, it is believed, split-fee payments will be disallowed in jurisdictions having specific laws against fee-splitting and in a few communities where professional societies have organized publicly to combat the practice.



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## NEWS...

### Rehabilitation Pays Off But Personnel Is Needed

NEW YORK.—The need for restoring patients' functional ability in addition to treating their disease was the main subject of discussion at the thirtieth annual meeting of the American Congress of Physical Medicine here recently. Physicians numbering 750 were from military and veterans' hospitals, mental hospitals, general hospitals, chronic disease institutions, tuberculosis sanatoriums, children's hospitals, various centers for rehabilitation, and for the treatment of cerebral palsy patients.

In-hospital rehabilitation services are at present hampered by a shortage of trained personnel and lack of facilities, although the number of physicians trained in physical medicine and rehabilitation has increased ten times over the number available before World War II.

Hospitals are becoming swamped with long-term chronically ill patients, speakers pointed out. Rather than invest large sums in domiciliary institutions they urged that money should first be spent on in-hospital rehabilitation services that will enable many patients to return to lives outside the hospital.

A year's experience with such a program in the chronic patient wards of Grasslands Hospital, Valhalla, N.Y., was described, showing that this new approach "pays off" economically and socially. Of the 58 patients who were looking forward to indefinite hospitalization, half of the group were walking without aid and two-thirds had been discharged to their homes. Of this latter group, two-thirds required less than 60 days of rehabilitation training to make them able to do for themselves.

### Building Service Heads Start an Organization

NEW YORK.—Organization of a hospital building service association was announced following an initial meeting here last month.

Stated purposes of the association are to exchange information among building service executives in hospitals, to achieve recognition equal to that accorded other hospital service executives, to explore the possibilities for developing programs of employee training, and to achieve national

standardization of equipment, procedures and executive titles.

After next January 1, membership applications will be welcomed from building service executives in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut hospitals, the group said; eventually, national organization status is anticipated.

Theodore E. C. Warren of the New York Hospital was named president. Other officers are Myrtle Ryder of Mount Sinai Hospital, New York, vice president; Herbert J. Harte, Veterans Administration Hospital, the Bronx, secretary; and George Spicer, Montefiore Hospital, New York, treasurer.

### Rural Health Measures Needed in South

RALEIGH, N.C.—Negroes, tenant farmers, and indigents in rural areas of the South are in need of more doctors and health centers, larger hospitals, and more participation in medical insurance plans. These facts were pointed out at a recent regional meeting of the President's Commission on the Health Needs of the Nation held here.

Dr. George F. Bond, a leader in rural health affairs in North Carolina, stated that today's shortage of doctors results from the disinclination of young physicians "to practice saddlebag medicine of the 18th century." Rural area citizens, he said, must be educated to recognize their health needs so that they may build hospitals, either with or without the aid of federal funds. It is up to physicians to lead in educating them.

According to J. Street Brewer, president of the North Carolina Medical Society, these rural citizens of low income status require medical and hospital insurance at a cost they can afford to pay, either in the form of credit or cash supplied by landlords, bankers or others. The Negro cannot be dealt with as a separate entity in the population, he said.

Dr. Robert P. Daniel, president of Virginia State College, who also emphasized the shortage of hospitals for Negroes, said that scholarships for medical education for Negroes and the opportunity for Negro physicians to qualify for membership in the American Medical Association, through their county and state societies, should be provided.



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## NEWS...

### Staff Meeting Standards Defended

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"Then you report to the county society that the thing is done. And the next night you stay home with the family."

According to a report in the current issue of the *Bulletin of the American College of Surgeons*, the matter of medical staff meetings has been the subject of much discussion recently. "As a means of possible relief for the

situation," the college *Bulletin* says, "the Manual of Hospital Accreditation states that, in well organized and departmentalized hospitals, departmental conferences and clinicopathologic conferences may be substituted for meetings of the entire staff, provided that all of the medical work of the hospital is covered by one or another of such conferences and provided that at least one meeting of the entire active staff is held during each quarter of the year. It is expected

that if the alternative is adopted by a hospital, the departmental and clinicopathologic conferences will be held at least monthly throughout the year and that the quarterly meeting of the entire medical staff will be devoted to a résumé of the departmental and clinicopathologic review during the previous quarter. It is expected, also, that complete and detailed minutes of the conferences at the departmental level, as well as at the quarterly meeting, will be kept and that an average attendance of at least 75 per cent at the conferences and meetings will be maintained during the calendar year."

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### Nurse Shortage Hits Home as Polio Mounts

CHICAGO.—Nursing personnel problems were striking home with compelling force in hospitals throughout the country last month as the 1952 polio epidemic mounted to near-record proportions. In mid-September, Basil O'Connor, president of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, said here at a conference of foundation leaders that incidence this year was 76 per cent higher than the case count for the same period in 1951, and 4 per cent higher than the incidence in 1949, when the nation had its worst polio year.

A report from the U.S. Public Health Service listed Illinois, with more than 300 cases, as the worst polio state. Other states experiencing severe polio outbreaks were Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Texas, California, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Kansas.

One of the worst states of all was Nebraska, with an infection rate of 83 cases per 100,000 of population. According to Nebraska hospital administrators, the polio problem had become all but unmanageable by the middle of September, with many hospitals flooded with polio patients and unable to employ enough nurses to keep abreast of patients' needs.

In Lincoln, for example, at the beginning of the epidemic one of the city's hospitals was designated as the polio center; facilities for treatment were concentrated there, and all patients were referred to that institution.



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in accordance with accepted practice, as soon as the diagnosis had been established. Quickly, however, as it turned out, this hospital was filled to capacity, and other institutions were accepting overflow cases.

Soon these hospitals, too, were filled up with polio patients. "Even by canceling surgery and restricting admissions to emergencies only," said Donald Duncan, business manager of St. Elizabeth's Hospital, "our nursing staff was unable to keep up with the demands of the polio patients, and all hospitals were in the same situation."

As a matter of fact, Mr. Duncan reported, many nurses, frightened by the epidemic, won't work on polio floors.

"Under the circumstances, we must not condemn the nurses for taking this attitude," Mr. Duncan explained. "We must remember instead that many of these nurses have homes and children of their own; they cannot be sure that working with polio patients in the hospital will not endanger the health of their own families. Many nurses said to me, 'My husband won't let me work if I am assigned to polio cases.'"

Much the same situation was reported from hospitals in other parts of the country where severe outbreaks were in progress last month. One favorable sign was that the death rate, which has approximated as much as 10 per cent of the number of cases in previous epidemic years, was running substantially below this level in most of the 1952 outbreaks.

### Business Publications Observe ABC Month

CHICAGO.—October has been proclaimed ABC month by many business publications.

"The MODERN HOSPITAL has been minding its ABC's ever since the magazine was founded nearly 40 years ago," declares Stanley R. Clague, a director of the Audit Bureau of Circulations. Mr. Clague is secretary of the Modern Hospital Publishing Company, Inc., which was a charter member of the audit bureau, and which publishes the *Hospital Purchasing File*, *The Nation's Schools*, and *College and Univer-*

*sity Business* as well as THE MODERN HOSPITAL.

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### Science Editor Challenges Ethics Committees

CHICAGO.—Objectives sought by medical society public relations committees frequently conflict with restrictions imposed by society judicial councils, Arthur J. Snider, science editor of the *Chicago Daily News*, told an institute on medical public relations here last month.

Mr. Snider spoke at a panel discussion during the institute, which was sponsored by the American Medical Association.

"About three years ago," Mr. Snider related, "the American Medical Association laid down an enlightened, progressive policy on ethics. But apparently the constituent medical societies are having difficulty in putting it into operation." The speaker told of several episodes in which constructive newspaper stories about doctors were blocked because the ethical relations committees of the medical societies took the view that any publicity naming an individual might give him an "unfair competitive advantage."

Public relations committees of medical societies are trying to do a good job, Mr. Snider said, "but they are

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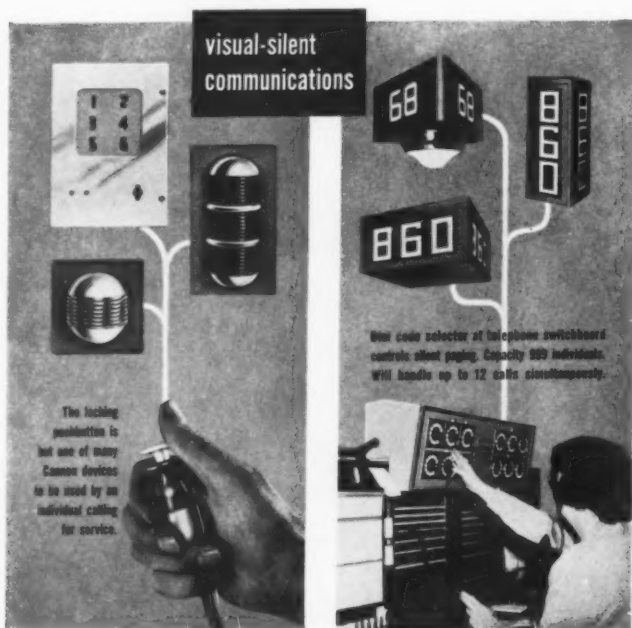
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hamstrung by the ethical committees which hold powers of penalty. If the decisions of the ethical relations committees are based on the unfair competitive advantage publicity gives a doctor, then why are research men hailed before these committees? Why is a doctor's name permitted in that excellent magazine, *Today's Health*, and not permitted in newspapers that have a greater reading public? Why is it perfectly okay for a doctor to write a book for the general reading public, when he is not permitted to be quoted in the daily press? Why is the American Medical Association's publicity department permitted to send out releases using doctors' names without clearing with the ethical relations committees, as newspapers must? Why is it all right for some doctors to appear on television, and others not?

"Why is it that the names of medical organizations and medical political leaders can appear in the press with impunity, and the doctor slugging it out on the research line and paid a meager salary is hailed before the ethical relations committee when his name appears in the papers?"

Citing the case of a plastic surgeon who was called before the ethical relations committee of his medical society because a story about his charitable work at a state penitentiary had appeared in the newspapers, Mr. Snider pointed out that the ethical relations committee had condemned the doctor even though he had nothing to do with the display given his story by newspaper editors.

"In a day when doctors are maligned on all sides for fee-splitting, high fees, unwillingness to take Sunday and night calls," the speaker asked, "is a story about a doctor who devotes one day a week to a unique kind of charity a credit to the profession—or does it do harm to the profession, as the ethical relations committee believes? I leave the answer to you public relations people."

In other presentations to the institute, public relations programs being conducted by county and state medical societies were described and studied in detail. Many speakers emphasized the fact that public relations problems of the medical profession today must be resolved by individual doctors in their own offices and hospitals and through action of local medical societies, rather than solely through national publicity.

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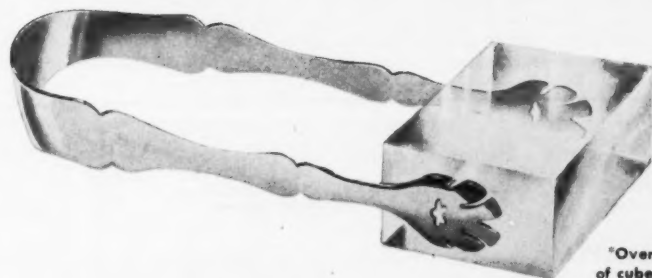
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### Opinion Survey Leads to Several Recommendations About Charity Hospital

NEW ORLEANS.—Charity Hospital's reputation for superior medical care is so great that many patients are sent here from remote parts of the state when they might easily be given adequate, economical care at home, a survey of the 3000 bed, state operated hospital here indicated last month.

Some overcrowding also is caused by the fact that many patients able to

pay for their care are included on the hospital's charitable rolls. Because of the tremendous case load carried by the hospital, the survey indicated, the staff of social service investigators assigned to the task of checking patients' eligibility for admission and free medical care is able to investigate only the "more suspicious cases."

A study of approximately 30,000 admissions on which social service investigations were conducted in 1950-51 revealed 26 per cent were ineligible

for free treatment because their incomes were over the maximum established for charity service, the survey indicated.

These and other hospital problems were studied by New Orleans newspaper writers during a two-week survey covering interviews with professional and administrative personnel of the hospital. Following their opinion survey, the newspaper men recommended a zoning system for the state under which charity care would be rendered by hospitals in various parts of the state instead of only at the Charity Hospital here.

The surveyors also proposed that a custodial hospital be established to care for state aid cases requiring lengthy treatment, that state funds be provided for home care of many patients in classifications now referred to Charity Hospital, that the hospital's admitting procedure be speeded up by the employment of several full-time admitting room physicians, and that increased wages and improved personnel programs, including a civil service or merit system to protect jobs, be established to relieve the shortage of hospital workers in all classifications.

The investigators found, however, that many complaints about the handling of admissions, particularly in accident and emergency wards, were not justified. "The emergency department is considered among the finest in the nation," their report stated. "Those persons who are financially able to pay for medical care and not badly injured are patched up and directed to private hospitals. They can't understand this procedure. They have the idea that Charity Hospital is their hospital, when actually it is meant for the poor."

Complaints about admissions were among the reasons given for replacement of Dr. Robert Bernhard as medical director of the hospital, the report stated.

Another charge against the hospital was that doctors on the staff were using it for their own medical investigation and teaching purposes, instead of for the benefit of the indigent sick. Deans of the medical schools at Tulane University and Louisiana State University, both of which carry on research and teaching programs at the hospital, denied that this was the case.

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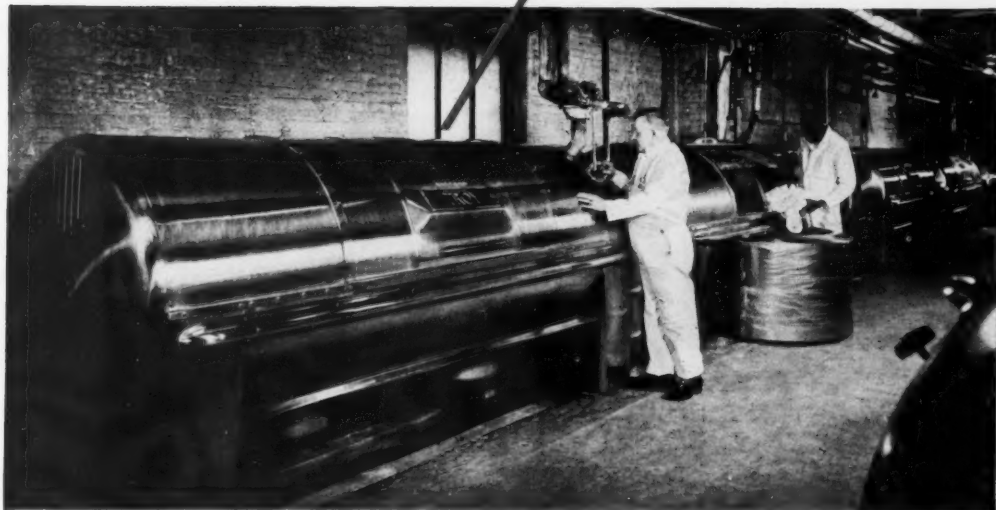
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students of medicine rebound to their benefit and at the same time promote the cause of medical science," Dr. William W. Frye, Louisiana State dean, told the investigators. "All types and conditions of patients must be given the opportunity to become beneficiaries as well as benefactors of medical advance. The public is beginning to realize that scientific interest in patients enhances the chances of better treatment of the sick."

Dr. Maxwell E. Lapham, Tulane dean, defended the hospital's 150 bed psychiatric section, which was opposed by critics who contended that mental patients should be treated elsewhere and these beds used for acutely ill, indigent, medical and surgical cases. Only through programs such as the one being carried on at Charity, he argued, can medical science progress in the restoration of many formerly "hopeless" mental patients to normal life.

Following their survey, the newspaper men also concluded that the charge of excessive use of hospital facilities for investigation and teaching was unjustified.

## Surgical Dealers Reply to F.T.C. Price Charges

CHICAGO.—Suppliers of hospital and surgical equipment here last month were indignant about publicity in connection with Federal Trade Commission charges that the American Surgical Trade Association and the Manufacturers Surgical Trade Association kept prices up by shutting out competition.

Newspaper and newsmagazine reports of the F.T.C. action, surgical dealers claimed, left readers with an inaccurate impression of price and marketing practice in the field. One report, for example, had referred to markups "as high as 600 per cent" between manufacturer and buyer.

"Actually," said one representative of the dealer group, "the average profit on all lines handled by surgical dealers is only about 5 or 6 per cent. On any particular item, of course, there may be some good reason that a much higher markup is necessary. But it is wrong to leave the impression that any such price differentials are common or typical."

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cree was signed in which they agreed to refrain from specific practices named in the charge.

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### Georgia University Offers Administrator Training

ATLANTA, GA.—The University of Georgia, Atlanta division, is offering

a one-year certificate course in hospital administration beginning with the 1952 fall quarter, it was announced here last month.

The course will be conducted in evening classes for students with two years full-time experience in hospital administration who are qualified by aptitude tests and personal interviews, the university said. Academic credit for the certificate course will be contingent on the student's meeting the university's requirements, it was stated.

Following a year of evening classes, field experience covering a period of approximately six months in at least two hospitals will be required before the certificate is issued.

The training was especially designed to meet the needs of administration in smaller hospitals, the university said. "With the completion of more than 25 hospitals of 50 beds or less in Georgia, in addition to the 220-odd general hospitals already operating in the state," a university announcement stated, "the need for trained hospital personnel becomes increasingly insistent. The rapid growth in hospital population and the economic necessity for efficient operation of these institutions have combined to create a demand for personnel directly trained in hospital administration. This situation is acutely felt in the state of Georgia, and, undoubtedly, a similar situation is present in other states of the southeastern area."

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Members of the faculty include Dr. R. C. Williams, director of the division of hospital services for the Georgia State Health Department; Oscar S. Hilliard, administrator of the Athens General Hospital, and Harold O. Duncan, hospital administrator, who has served at George Washington University and Veterans Administration hospitals.

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NEW YORK.—A new concept in rehabilitation training of the handicapped was advanced here last month by Dr. Morton Hoberman and Ebert F. Cicienia of the New York State Rehabilitation Hospital, who suggested that handicapped persons should be trained to help those on whom they are dependent for physical care.

In a presentation to the 30th annual session of the American Congress of Physical Medicine, Dr. Hoberman and Mr. Cicienia said hospital staffs in the past have attempted to train disabled patients to care for themselves, without acknowledging that many of them will always be dependent on other

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## Spends \$50,000,000 on Medical Care

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The United Mine Workers' Welfare and Retirement Fund provided nearly \$50,000,000 in hospital and medical care benefits during the year ending June 30, 1952, a report released by the fund here last month revealed. The fund provided 2,154,882 days of hospital and medical care for 215,372 beneficiaries throughout the bituminous coal mining communities, it was reported.

"If all fund patients had received hospitalization at one time, they would have occupied every hospital bed in the United States for one week," the report stated.

The fund's proposed hospital construction program, a major development of the past year, was described in detail. "The medical staff of the fund had long but unsuccessfully endeavored to bring about improved and increased hospital and medical facilities and services in these areas," the report said, explaining the reasons for the program under which 10 hospitals are to be constructed in Kentucky, West Virginia, and Virginia. "Therefore, with the active and extensive cooperation of its medical advisory committee, composed of eminent physicians and hospital experts, the medical service of the fund submitted an exhaustive report of its findings on hospital and medical care conditions in these areas and their recommendations for the construction of hospital facilities as the only method by which satisfactory hospital and medical care benefits could be made available in these communities. Architects' plans

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## Hospital Consultants to Meet With A.A.A.S.

GREENVILLE, S.C.—Jacque Norman, secretary of the American Association of Hospital Consultants, announces here that during the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science to be held in St. Louis during Christmas week the hospital consultants will hold an afternoon program. The date of the joint A.A.A.S. and A.A.H.C. meeting is December 29 at 2:20 in the afternoon.

The program is as follows: "Planning for the Basic Sciences in the Hospital," Dr. Basil C. MacLean; "Planning for the Mechanical Sciences in the Hospital," Dr. David Littauer; "Planning for the Clinical Sciences in the Hospital," Dr. E. M. Bluestone.



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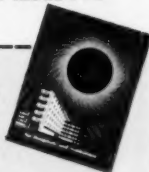
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Lenox Hill, Brooklyn and New Rochelle are the three hospitals taking part in the experiment. Also co-

operating are the visiting nurse associations of New York, Brooklyn and New Rochelle.

"Data accumulated during the two-year period will be studied to determine the feasibility of including visiting nurse service among Blue Cross benefits and to define the circumstances under which it may be provided," Louis H. Pink, chairman of the board of directors of Associated Hospital Service, New York's Blue Cross plan, declared early last month.

The experiment has been prompted by rising hospital costs. It is thought that provision of visiting nursing service might reduce the average length of time patients spend in the hospital. If Blue Cross members hospitalized in the Greater New York area during 1951 had left the hospital one day sooner, the over-all saving to Associated Hospital Service would have amounted to more than half a million dollars, Mr. Pink asserted.

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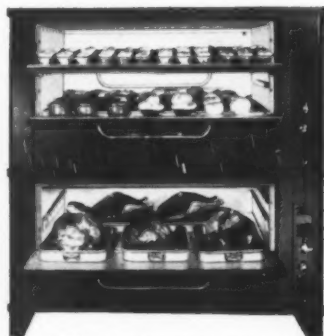
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### Oak Ridge Hospital to Seek Uses of Atomic By-Products

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A total of \$6,000,000 has been appropriated to construct and equip the new building, to be called the University of Tennessee Memorial Research Center and Hospital.

The new center will contain general hospital facilities for 317 patients as well as research laboratories to use radioactive isotopes from Oak Ridge and special educational facilities to train medical personnel and scientists on the postgraduate level. While emphasis will be placed on atomic research, the center also will conduct medical research in other fields.

The building was designed by Baumann and Baumann, Knoxville architectural firm, assisted by York and Sawyer of New York and Washington.

### Nursing Runs in Family

ALEXANDRIA, VA.—The great granddaughter of a student of Florence Nightingale's in England has enrolled as a first-year student at the Alexandria Hospital School of Nursing. She is Margaret Louise Wilding, 19, of Silver Spring, Md. Her mother was a nurse during World War I in St. Thomas's Hospital, London. Margaret's parents met in France where both were attached to the French army.

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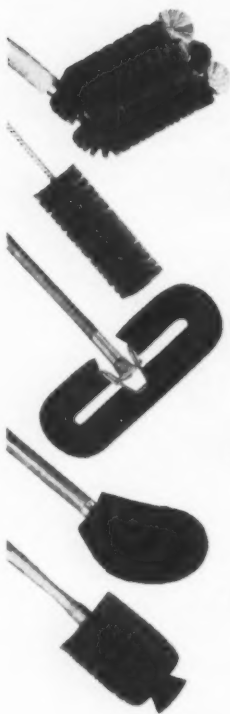
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Graduates of the course are fully prepared for teaching and supervision of nonprofessional nursing personnel.

Similar to the training formerly given psychiatric aides at the Menninger Sanitarium, Topeka, Kan., where emphasis was placed upon psychiatry and basic nursing, the course at Spring Grove includes ward administration and ward teaching as additional studies.

Initiated by George W. Mason, director of nursing service and nursing education, department of mental hygiene, the intensive course covers 385 hours of classroom work and 1700 hours of clinical experience under direct supervision.

Admission standards are based on high school attendance and ratings in aptitude and personality tests. State mental hospitals, within the department of mental hygiene, will send selected, qualified candidates to Spring Grove. Upon completion of the course, aides will return to their hospitals.

Through the efforts of Mr. Mason a classification and salary scale for psychiatric aides has been established as a recognized branch of the nursing services in all Maryland mental hospitals. The aides are paid \$2160 during their training period and are advanced to \$2400 upon graduation. Their maximum salary, after five years, is \$3000.

### Sister Mary Bede Is Montana President-Elect

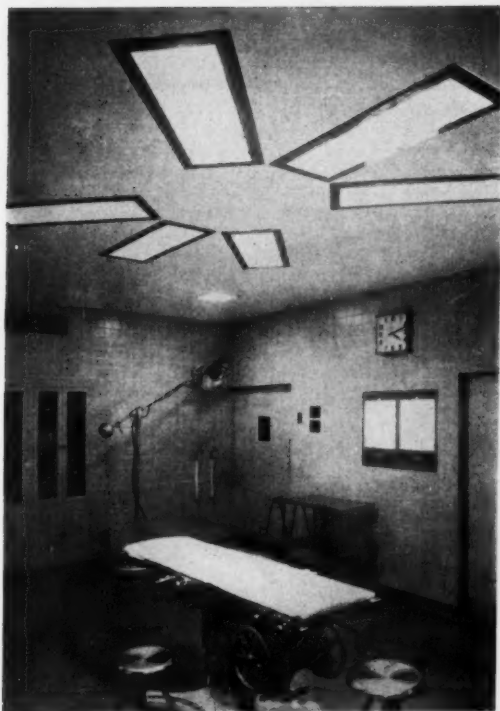
BILLINGS, MONT.—Sister Mary Bede, administrator of Columbus Hospital at Great Falls, was named president-elect of the Montana Hospital Association at the association's annual conference here last month. Sister Mary Bede will succeed Harry C. Dunham, administrator, Memorial Hospital, Missoula, Mont.

Other officers named by the association were Edwin Grafton, Shodair Crippled Children's Hospital, Helena, secretary-treasurer, and Sister Mary Anthony, Kalispell General Hospital, Kalispell, trustee.

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### Surgeons Hear Report on Activities of Hospital Accreditation Commission

NEW YORK.—A report on current activities of the new Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals was presented at the annual clinical congress of the American College of Surgeons here last month by Dr. Gunnar Gundersen, chairman of the commission and a trustee of the American Medical Association. Dr. Gundersen said the commission's goal was to adhere rigidly to the high standards established by the

American College of Surgeons in its hospital standardization program. "If we do this, we win," he stated. "If we do less, we fail."

Dr. Gundersen described the commission as "an established fact and a going concern." Relating the appointment of Dr. Edwin L. Crosby as executive director, he added, "It is my considered judgment that no more able person could have been found in the

American hospital field than Dr. Crosby. He has proved his ability and fitness to undertake this work. We know he is interested in his job and will capably direct the movement. He has ability to work with others and will exercise calm supervision and good leadership, exemplified by enthusiasm, patience, energy, courtesy, interest and many other basic characteristics of an efficient executive."

Dr. Gundersen said the commission "takes great comfort in the fact that Dr. Malcolm T. MacEachern's services will be available for consultation and advice." He described Dr. MacEachern as "the dean of the hospital standardization workers."

#### BASED ON A.C.S. STANDARDS

The commission has accepted American College of Surgeons standards as the basis for inaugurating its own program, Dr. Gundersen reported, with the understanding that the program "in all likelihood will be modified as soon as the Joint Commission has had an opportunity to direct attention to the formulation of specific standards for hospital operation."

Commissioners recognize the importance of an early review of existing standards and adoption of a uniform inspection procedure, the chairman stated. The commission accepted its responsibility, he said, "with humility, conscientiousness and a determination in our hearts to carry on this great work which is unique in the history of the world." The commission realizes that hospital inspection and accreditation is not mere routine, Dr. Gundersen concluded.

"It is a voluntary movement representing the best thinking and the best inspiration of five of the most powerful groups in the world dealing with health," he declared. "We recognize what this will mean to the care of the sick and injured of Canada and the United States. We realize that this may eventually mean much to the care of the sick and injured the world over. If these duties are discharged well, the benefits to mankind through our profession, through our hospitals, and for our civilization are unreckonable."

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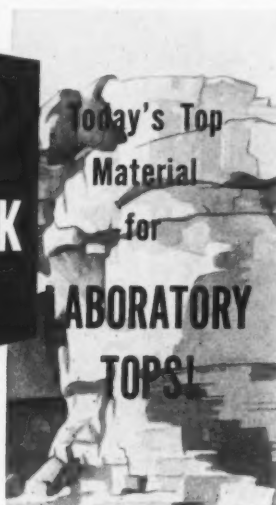
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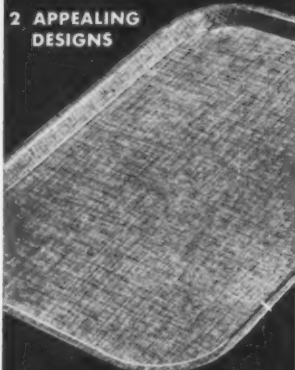
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### Pathologists Warned Not to Solicit Hospital Positions

CHICAGO.—In the hope of lessening the number of complaints based on violations of Canon I of the code of ethics of the College of American Pathologists, the ethics committee has prepared an interpretation of the canon. It reads:

"I shall not solicit, knowingly permit others to solicit in my behalf, nor shall I accept a position which is occupied by another pathologist without first consulting with that pathologist."

"It is frequently true that 'for the physician the strictly scientific practice of medicine leads often in one direction, the conditions of remuneration in another.'\* In professional circles, competition for a situation should be conducted with frankness, amicability and with a dignity that is fitting the highest of callings; it should be without slyness or subterfuge. To reserve our major thoughts and energies for scientific endeavor, to the ultimate welfare of the patient, our professional life should be free of the fear of continual secretive competition. It would be most unfortunate if those who are not pathologists can force upon us subjugation to competition by conspiracy. This canon defines the courtesies and amenities of professional competitive relationship, by application of the Golden Rule.

"The word 'solicit' implies an intentional, self-determined profferment of services. A pathologist is soliciting when he offers his services by proposal or application to executive or administrative authority. In a hospital such authority can be the chief of staff, the executive committee, the president, or a member of the board of trustees or the administrator.

"The insertion of the clause, 'knowingly permit others to solicit in my behalf,' is obviously meant to discourage an aspiring pathologist from making an oblique or subtle solicitation through a third party in an attempt to disguise the proposal he has

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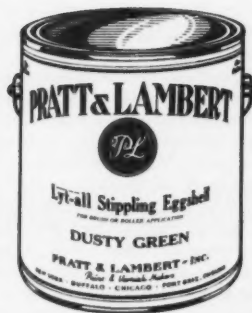
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originated or accepted. Frequently a pathologist will be considered as a replacement without his knowledge. Once such a proposal becomes known to him he shares equally in the responsibility for it.

"It would be preferable if the canon were worded so as to apply equally to an incumbent and to the pathologist who has recently been the incumbent of a position. It is regrettable that there have been conspiracies between aspiring pathologists and representatives of hospitals to the end that the aspirant's proposals and intent are kept secret and undisclosed until the incumbent is relieved of his position. This is shrewd and close practice which violates the spirit of Canon 1. The ethics committee of the college agrees that such an evasion be adjudged a violation.

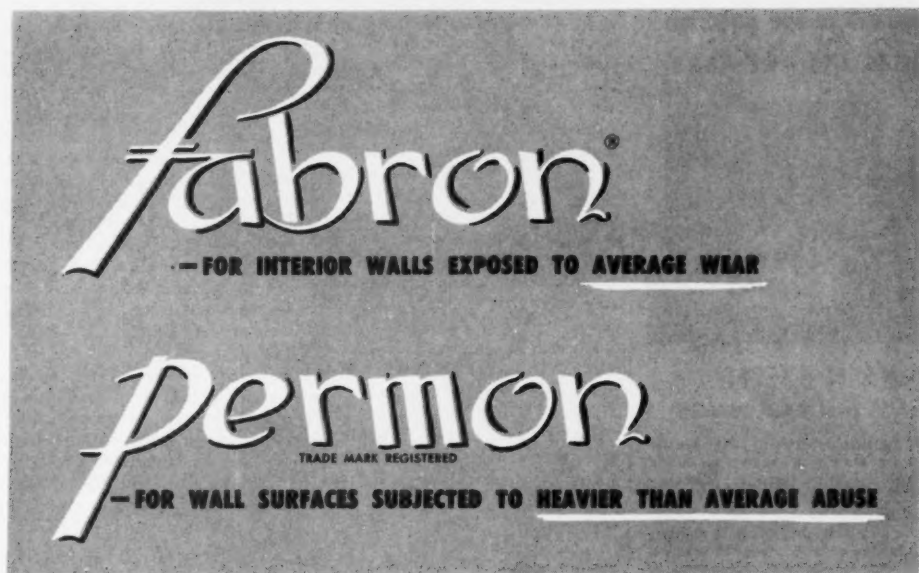
"A change in management or control, actual or impending, whether or not it involves a change in name of the institution, does not relieve a pathologist from his obligation to consult with the incumbent pathologist. Neither does an expressed determination to alter the type of relationship between incumbent and institution—formal, contractual or informal—affect his obligation in this regard.

"The responsibility of a pathologist who desires to apply for a position held by another, or who finds himself offered such a position, extends only to first 'consulting with that pathologist.' The consultation must include notification of intent by the aspiring pathologist and it definitely implies a bilateral exchange, affording the incumbent pathologist an opportunity to express both his attitude and the circumstances of his situation.

"The aspiring pathologist is likely to overlook the benefits of this consultation. Administrators, boards of trustees, staff executive committees and our clinical brethren have been known occasionally to impose difficulties and unreasonable limitations upon a pathologist's position. Such features may not be apparent when the situation is first described. The incumbent pathologist will frequently disclose such problems with reasonably unprejudiced truthfulness. The warning of a long suffering incumbent could be the only defense an aspiring pathologist might have against perpetuating an intolerable situation.

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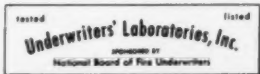
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sures that the incumbent pathologist gets reasonable notice. There have been situations in which a pathologist, competent and acceptable to the majority of his staff, has had his position secretly undermined by an unsympathetic minority. Perhaps only the merest warning is necessary to give a competent and faithful confrere the support of a sympathetic majority.

There have been others who have tried to use this canon as a shield against the inevitable result of incompatibility and incompetence. The canon in no way guarantees tenure to the incumbent. Patients and physicians have the right to expect capable, competent and courteous performance. The canon is not meant to expect resistance to the replacement of a pathologist who is persona non grata with the majority of physicians with whom he should cooperate. It cannot be invoked to deprive the patients in a hospital of the services of a new pathologist who is acceptable to the staff.

"The aspiring (and often younger) pathologist has occasionally misunderstood the intent of this canon, feeling that it imposes a limitation upon free enterprise. It is noteworthy that the canon states no obligation beyond that first consultation. From that point on the aspiring pathologist is free to make his own decision and to conduct himself as his prudence dictates. This canon in no way inhibits free enterprise or the creation of opportunity; it merely defines the manner in which it should be pursued.

"Perhaps it would not be amiss to touch upon the details of the manner in which this canon can be observed, when an initial or preliminary inquiry convinces an aspiring pathologist of the desirability of a situation already occupied by another. Before he proceeds further in his official discussion or overtures he is obligated to contact the incumbent pathologist. This contact can be by any means which will offer a bilateral opportunity for expression and can be by telephone, letter or personal meeting. Telephone conversations are apt to be misunderstood and leave no tangible evidence of their execution. It is strongly recommended that the 'consultation' be by personal interview and subsequently confirmed by letter. Such evidence of considerate conduct 'stands for all the world to see.'"

### Refresher Courses for Inactive Nurses

NEW YORK.—An attempt to interest New York City's 5000 nurses, who are either inactive or prematurely retired, in resuming their professional activities is being made by Dr. Marcus D. Kogel, hospital commissioner.

A series of refresher courses is being offered in the municipal hospitals, the first of which was started in September at Queen's General Hospital. Others are to be given during October at Bellevue Hospital, Kings County Hospital, and Morrisania. All are designed to acquaint nurses with the most recent developments in nursing and to assist them in regaining skill and confidence. The developments within the last five years have left the currently inactive nurses far behind. The refresher courses give them a chance to catch up and provide them with an opportunity to enter the city system at a base salary of \$2950 and to have the advantages of a pension system, vacation and sick leave, plus unlimited opportunities for advancement.

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Under the old system, the superintendent was the most important person in the hospital. A hospital was dominated by a sort of order of authority with doctors and nurses at the top and untouchables, who washed dishes and mopped floors, at the bottom.

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### Explains Autopsy Precautions Following Radioactive Treatments

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, with the approval of the division of biology and medicine of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission, has compiled a list of precautions to be used in autopsy and embalming procedures following the administration of radioisotopes.

The radioisotope laboratory should supply the record office of hospitals

with an up-to-date list of all patients who have received radioisotopes, the instructions state. Names of all deceased persons should be checked against this list by the record office personnel. If the deceased has ever received isotopes, the individual in charge of the laboratory should be promptly notified.

The instructions continue:

"If the deceased has received a therapeutic dose of an isotope within two months the radiac survey officer

should monitor the body before autopsy or release to a mortician. If an autopsy is to be performed, the record office should inform the pathologist who is to perform the autopsy that radioisotopes have been given. The pathologist should secure from the radiac survey officer a report of the amount of radioactivity and copies should be attached to the autopsy protocol and the clinical chart."

The precautions to be taken, the instructions state, will depend on the level of radioactivity found by the radiac survey officer. They include:

1. In cases where the level is less than one-half milliroentgen/hour (mr/hr) no special precautions are necessary at any time.

2. In cases where the level is from  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 6 mr/hr the only precaution necessary in handling the body would be the wearing of rubber gloves, which should be washed with soap and water before they are removed from the hands.

3. In cases where the level is more than 6 mr/hr further precautions are necessary in order that the maximum permissible exposure of 0.3 r per week shall not be exceeded. The additional precautions in such cases should be: (1) the wearing of a lead apron and a dosimeter; (2) thorough cleansing with soap and water or detergent of tables and other surfaces on which blood or other body fluids have been spilled, and (3) the avoidance of eating and smoking while wearing the rubber gloves.

In all cases of positive radioactivity, described in 2 and 3, every effort should be made to confine body fluids that are removed during the course of the postmortem procedures to special vessels, to pour them directly into the drain, and to flush the drain copiously, with water, the instructions read.

The instructions further state:

"In cases where it is desired that organs or body fluids be retained for further study, they should be kept in special containers and suitably labeled. As the radioactivity decreases rather rapidly, these materials could be retained until their level of radioactivity has fallen below the danger level as determined by radiac survey; otherwise the precautions as noted herein should be carried out.

"The mortician should be given instructions similar to those given to the pathologist, the nature of which

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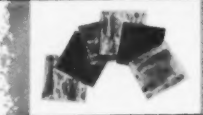
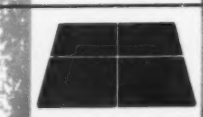
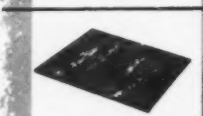
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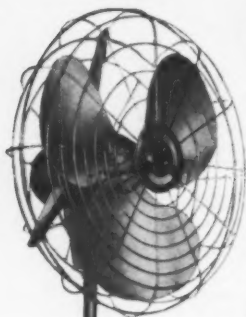
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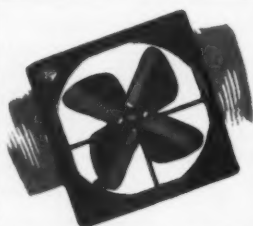


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will depend upon the degree of radioactivity remaining at the time of delivery of the body to the mortician."

### Iowa Association Helps Public Hospital Workers

DES MOINES, IOWA.—Largely through the efforts of the Iowa State Hospital Association, employees of public institutions in the state expect relief, under legislation now proposed, from inadequate protection under the Public Employees Retirement Act.

In an active campaign conducted by the association, it was reported here last month, inadequacies of the present statute were brought to the attention of the employees themselves and public officials, with the result that remedial legislation is to be introduced in the state legislature, providing for inclusion of public employees in the Federal Old Age and Survivors Insurance System.

Under the present system, Marion B. Dennis, executive secretary of the association, reported, "Tax supported hospitals found themselves unable to recruit and retain competent personnel. Employees of these agencies contribute 4 per cent of their earnings up to \$3000, but when they move from a tax supported agency to industry, business or a voluntary hospital, they lose these contributions. The federal tax, on the other hand, is only 1½ per cent, and employees can move freely from one hospital or place of business to another within the state. Thus nurses and technicians were reluctant to work in the 58 tax supported hospitals of the state.

"The voluntary hospitals were in sympathy with the plight of their colleagues, and the association therefore undertook a survey to show the injustices and inequities of the present law."

In its survey and the educational campaign that followed, the association cooperated with librarians, teachers and union groups faced with the same problem in public agencies.

"The entire project has aided communities to understand the personnel problems of the hospitals and has created much warmth of feeling for the work they are doing," Miss Dennis concluded. "Hospitals have become, in the minds of the citizens, agencies as much interested in helping the people in health as in sickness."

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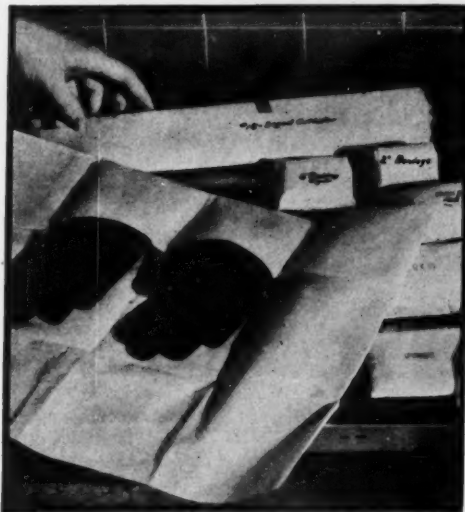
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### Dr. Steelman Praises Work of Health Resources Advisory Committee

WASHINGTON, D.C. — No other phase of mobilization has had more effective planning and coordination than health has had, Dr. John R. Steelman, acting director, Office of Defense Mobilization, stated here in a summary report of the Health Resources Advisory Committee, Office of Defense Mobilization, covering the period August 1950 to August 1952.

The Health Resources Advisory Committee was established in August 1950, shortly after the outbreak in Korea, at the suggestion of the President by the chairman of the National Security Resources Board to advise that body on matters concerned with the health resources of the nation as they relate to national defense. The committee was later designated by

the President to serve as the national advisory committee to the Selective Service System on the "doctor draft" law. In April 1952 it and its supporting staff were transferred to the Office of Defense Mobilization.

The key to achievements of the committee, Dr. Steelman declared, has been the close and effective working relationships it has developed not only with government agencies but with the national professional organizations, voluntary agencies, educational institutions, and other groups concerned with health.

He said, "The committee has enjoyed the confidence of all the groups with which it has worked as its doors have always been open to them to discuss any problems of mutual interest. Those professional and civilian organizations concerned with health problems have played a major rôle in the determination of the national policies concerning health resources that affect them."

Dr. Steelman called particular attention to the work of the committee in reviewing and advising the Secretary of Defense on the effect of the projected over-all requirements of the armed services for health personnel upon the civilian health economy of the nation. This close cooperation with the Department of Defense, he stated, has enhanced the nation's ability to meet both the current and future health needs of our civilian population and of the armed forces without endangering civilian health services.

Dr. Steelman also congratulated both the Health Resources Advisory Committee and its state advisory committees on the methods they have developed for determining the civilian essentiality of individual physicians and dentists who are liable for military service. Through the efforts of these state and local advisory committees, he declared, the Health Resources Advisory Committee in its dual responsibility as the national advisory committee to the Selective Service System has assured our local communities they would not be deprived of essential local health services and that vital research or teaching programs would not be disrupted. He credited the excellent cooperation of the medical, dental and health professions to the success of this program.

Other particularly significant achievements of the committee, he stated, have

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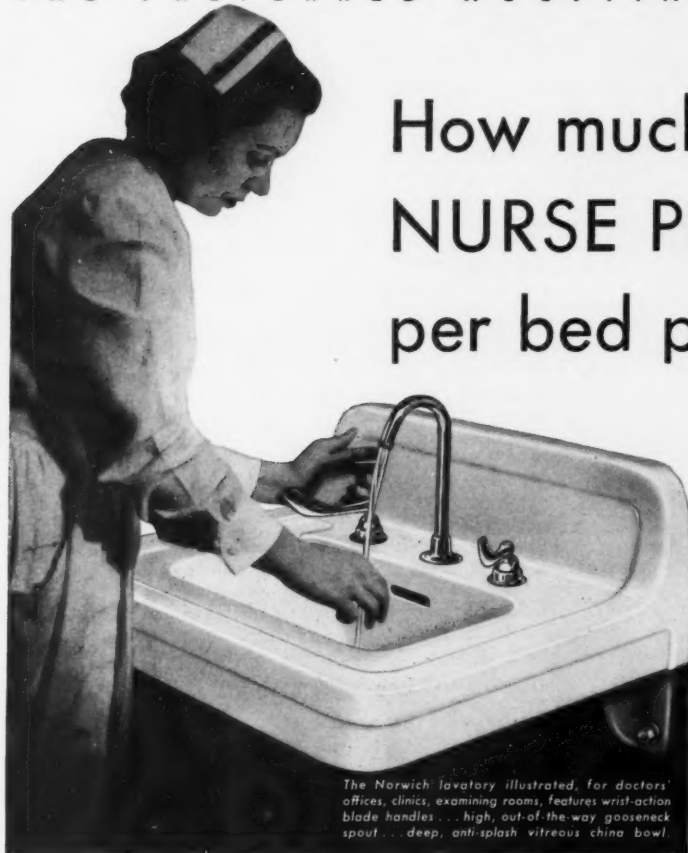
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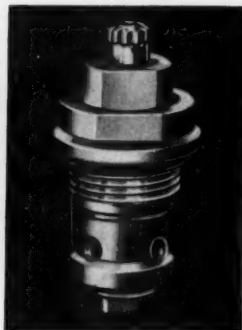
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been (1) the development of a single national blood program that can serve the needs of the Department of Defense, Federal Civil Defense Administration, and American National Red Cross and at the same time assure the normal day-to-day needs of the civilian population; (2) the analyzing and coordinating of information on better utilization of hospital personnel in order to alleviate the critical shortage of nurses by the newly formed subcommittee on hospital services; (3) its work with the Federal Civil Defense Administration in post-disaster planning; (4) its activities in industrial health, and (5) its many surveys, inventories and analyses of the nation's health resources.

Dr. Steelman stated that continuing effort in these and other areas will be necessary as long as the mobilization effort lasts and that he is in complete accord with the recommendation of the committee that "it is vital that somewhere in the federal government, at a sufficiently high organizational level to make its work effective, there must be a coordinating body in the health field if full utilization for both civilian

and military needs is to be made of the health potentials of our nation." The achievements of the committee, he said, show the importance of this recommendation.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The membership of the Health Resources Advisory Committee consists of: Dr. Howard A. Rusk, professor and chairman of the department of physical medicine and rehabilitation, New York University, Bellevue Medical Center, New York City; Dr. Edwin L. Crosby, director, Joint Commission of Accreditation of Hospitals, Chicago; Dr. Harold S. Diehl, dean of medical sciences, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis; Dr. Alan Gregg, vice president, Rockefeller Foundation, New York City; Ruth Kuehn, R.N., dean of school of nursing, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh; Dr. James C. Sargent, chairman, council on national emergency medical service, American Medical Association, Milwaukee; Dr. Leo J. Schoeny, member, special committee on national emergency dental service, American Dental Association, New Orleans, and Dr. W. P.

Shepard, vice president, Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, San Francisco.

### Iowans Seek Revision of Hill-Burton Program

DES MOINES, IOWA.—Because of operating difficulties encountered by many hospitals constructed under the Hill-Burton program in Iowa, trustees of the Iowa State Hospital Association have recommended careful study of the state hospital construction plan, looking toward revision of the plan in line with realistic understanding of hospital problems at the present time, Donald W. Cordes, association president and administrator of Iowa Methodist Hospital here, reported last month.

A resolution passed by the state hospital advisory council gave tentative approval to a revised construction program for 1952-53, subject to a qualifying resolution, it was reported. The resolution pointed out that total bed needs as outlined in the construction program "constitute the maximum number of beds which may be built with federal grants-in-aid and do not necessarily represent the accurate and



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exact hospital bed needs for the respective hospital or area."

In a statement elaborating on the resolution, the advisory council recommended that each community study its hospital bed needs by means of a thorough and detailed survey of local conditions affecting hospital utilization. "The program resulting from the findings from this survey and study should determine the number of hospital beds to be built, rather than attempting in every case to provide

the total number of beds mathematically calculated by national ratios of bed needs," the council stated.

The state department of health concurred in the resolution and made it a part of the official revision of the Iowa hospital plan, Mr. Cordes reported.

"It was the consensus of the trustees of the state hospital association that projections of this hospital plan have serious adverse implications for future hospital construction within the state,"

Mr. Cordes said in a letter transmitting a copy of the advisory council's resolution to the U.S. Public Health Service in Washington.

"Since many of the hospitals already constructed under Hill-Burton funds are having serious difficulties in maintaining an adequate census to support operations, the member hospitals of our state association are strong in their conviction that revision of the hospital construction plan with attendant priority scales should be most carefully studied. Our member hospitals are much concerned about future hospital construction in our state, and we stand ready at any time to meet with the hospital division of our state health department, representatives of the Public Health Service, and any other person who may be helpful in devising a realistic plan of future construction that will reflect the best thinking of all concerned with the problem."

### Mary K. Dawson Given V.A. Service Medal

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Veterans Administration's highest award—the Exceptional Service Medal—was presented to Mary K. Dawson, chief of the nursing service at the Bedford Veterans Administration Hospital, Bedford, Mass., at a special ceremony recently.

Miss Dawson retired August 31 after 32 years of government service, 26 years of which were spent as chief nurse in veterans' neuropsychiatric hospitals. The award was made in recognition of her "unselfish service and outstanding leadership" which will "continue to have a marked influence on the entire V.A. nursing service." She is one of three V.A. employees to receive the medal since the inception of the award the first of this year, and the first woman to whom it has been given.

### Nurse Killed in Hold-Up

CHICAGO.—M. Elizabeth Brett, chief surgical nurse at Wesley Memorial Hospital here, was slain September 14. The nurse was the victim of an apparent hold-up attempt as she and Dr. Ira J. Tresley, a Chicago physician, sat in the latter's car, which was parked in front of the nurses' home, near the hospital. Miss Brett had been scheduled to teach nursing at St. Francis Hospital, Evanston, within a few weeks.



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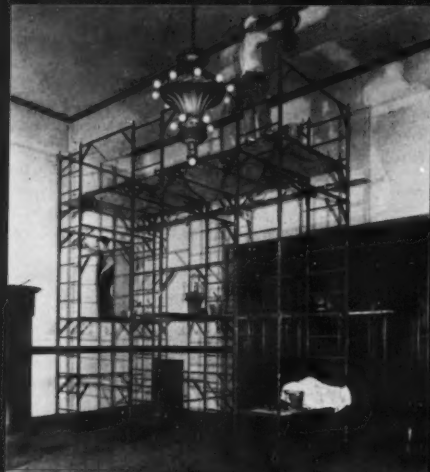
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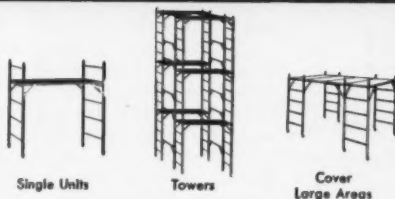
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### Small Hospital Slant Is Program Need

ST. LOUIS.—Analysis of the registration at the Mid-West Hospital Association convention at Kansas City last April revealed that of 1856 persons registered 232 were administrators of hospitals in the seven states of the midwest district, a report to the association from H. J. Mohler, president-elect, indicated last month.

The report added there were 37 business managers attending the con-

vention, and 811 "other hospital representatives"—a total of 1080 in the hospital group.

Others making up the total registration included exhibitors, representatives, visitors, public health officials, and others from related fields.

Largest state attendance was from Missouri, with 527 hospital representatives. Kansas had 350 representatives at the convention; other midwest states sent much smaller groups. States from other regions represented at the

meeting included Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, New York, New Mexico and Texas.

The report also analyzed hospitals in the seven states of the midwest region by size, indicating that in these states there are 492 hospitals with 100 beds and fewer, and only 130 hospitals with more than 100 beds not owned by the federal or state government. "This survey clearly shows it is necessary that more and more attention be given to the smaller hospitals," Mr. Mohler stated. "I am sure that few from the smaller hospitals can apply suggestions made by a speaker from a 250 or 500 bed hospital to their own needs."

The report also indicated that the number of government hospitals in the area is increasing. "The fact that there are 51 federal hospitals with 22,349 beds presents a serious problem for the nonprofit hospital in the various communities," the report stated, "in view of the fact that salaries, vacations, sick allowances and working conditions in the government hospitals are generally much more favorable and deficits are no great worry to the administrator—and the same applies to collections."

Suggesting what the report meant in terms of the midwest program, Mr. Mohler said: "It is evident we must interest the smaller hospitals in various ways. We must have more speakers who are familiar with their problems; speakers from large hospitals, without small hospital experience, do not speak the language suitable for the needs of the smaller hospital group."

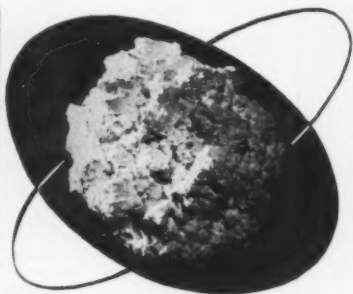
"We must also provide for part of the income of the midwest to be used on smaller hospitals, through their own state associations," Mr. Mohler concluded.

### New York May Curtail Large Building Program

NEW YORK.—The budget director has warned Mayor Impellitteri that New York City must move slowly in completing its \$150,000,000 hospital building program.

Three reasons are given by the budget director: (1) labor and materials costs have shot up since 1949 when the hospital building program was adopted; (2) the unusually high cost of operating hospitals, and (3) the difficulty of recruiting doctors and nurses and the highly competitive mar-

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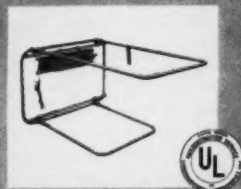
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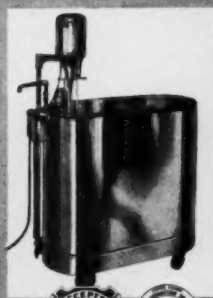
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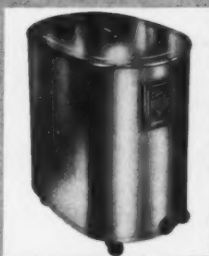
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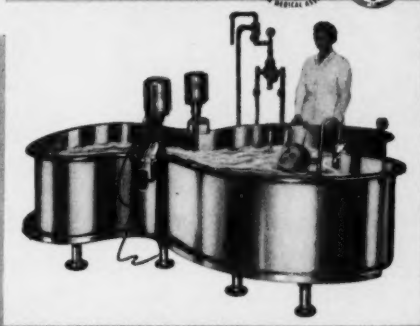
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Abraham D. Beame has urged the mayor that the city not commit itself to any new hospital construction beyond that provided in the 1952 budget. Mr. Beame asserts that the city already faces the prospect of having to provide an additional \$64,068,088, within the debt limit, over a three-year period to complete construction of hospitals estimated three years ago to cost only \$150,000,000.

Proposed hospital projects that might be held up if Mr. Beame's recommendations are accepted include the proposed \$10,000,000 Bedford-Stuyvesant Hospital in Brooklyn, the Kings County Laboratory Building and the proposed extensive modernization of Gouvener Hospital on the lower East Side of Manhattan.

Hospital leaders in the city were much upset over the budget director's statement and told the mayor that the city must decide once and for all

whether it wants to "lessen overcrowding or be satisfied with cramped and outmoded facilities."

The proposed limitation program would curtail alteration plans at Lincoln, Fordham, Greenpoint, Kings County, Sea View, Neponset Beach and Sydenham Hospital, as well as at the Municipal Sanatorium at Otisville, N.Y. Improvements at these institutions include modernization of operating rooms, maternity services, utility space, outpatient units, and laboratory and x-ray departments. It might also affect the proposed 200 bed addition to Harlem Hospital, the most overcrowded institution in New York's municipal hospital system. Harlem now has an average daily census of 1000 patients and a bed capacity of 705.

In all fairness, Department of Hospitals officials stressed, it should be pointed out that there is more hospital construction going on now than ever before. Recently completed structures, built at a cost of \$45,630,000, include the Francis Delafield, James Ewing, Bird S. Coler and the Kings County Tuberculosis Hospitals; the College Point Outpatient Building and the laundry-garage on Welfare Island.

The facilities in construction or on which construction is about to begin—the total cost of which will come to \$127,064,000—include the Bronx Municipal Hospital Center, Bellevue Hospital's nurses school and residence, the East Harlem General Hospital, the Queens General Hospital Center addition, the Elmhurst General Hospital in Queens and the Coney Island Hospital in Brooklyn.

### Dedicate Medical Center Building at Mary Fletcher

BURLINGTON, VT.—About 900 persons attended the dedication ceremonies here September 4 of the new \$2,600,000 medical center building of the Mary Fletcher Hospital.

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dency at Herrick Memorial Hospital, Berkeley, Calif., received his master's degree in hospital administration from Northwestern University. He served 19 months in the navy hospital corps.

**Henry J. Whyte** has been named administrator of Community Hospital, Wilmington, N.C., succeeding **Charles Wilson Jr.** His former position was as administrative assistant at Freedmen's

Hospital, Washington, D.C. In June 1951, Mr. Whyte received his master's degree in hospital administration from Columbia University. He is a member of the American College of Hospital Administrators.

**John Eller**, formerly purchasing agent at Bethany Hospital, Chicago, succeeded **B. W. Selin** as administrator of the hospital on July 1.

**Manuel Cohen** has been appointed assistant director of Montefiore Hospital, the Bronx, N.Y. Mr. Cohen's postgraduate degree in public health and hospital administration was ob-

tained at Yale University's school of medicine, in its department of public health. He served his administrative residency at Montefiore.

**Dr. John W. Fristoe Jr.** has succeeded **Dr. H. F. Magee** as director of the Mississippi State Charity Hospital, Jackson. Dr. Fristoe has been acting director since Dr. Magee's resignation last April. Previously he served for one year as resident specialist in obstetrics and gynecology for the Mississippi State Board of Health in Jackson.

**Gene S. Bakke**, administrator of Grand Forks Deaconess Hospital, Grand Forks, N.D., since 1950, has resigned. His successor is **Leonard H. Egstrom**, formerly general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association in Grand Forks.

**Mrs. Stafford Brooke, R.N.**, a former superintendent of Hamilton Memorial Hospital, Dalton, Ga., has been appointed to resume the position, succeeding **Marjorie Nicholson**. Mrs. Brooke first became superintendent of the hospital in 1942.

**Lloyd G. Jensen**, formerly administrator of the Saunders County Hospital, Wahoo, Neb., is the new superintendent of Childrens Memorial Hospital, Omaha, Neb., succeeding **Phyllis Levens**. Mr. Jensen, who received his master's degree in hospital administration from Washington University, served his administrative residency at Ancker Hospital, St. Paul. At present Mr. Jensen is a member of a three-man committee for revision of the regulations of the Nebraska State Health Department.

**Rowland M. Dearing** has succeeded **John R. Purcell** as superintendent of Flagler Hospital, St. Augustine, Fla. For the last several years Mr. Dearing has been superintendent of Fostoria City Hospital, Fostoria, Ohio. Previously, he served as superintendent of Corry Hospital, Corry, Pa., and as administrator at the War Relocation Hospital, Heart Mountain, Wyo.

**Sister Mathilde** is the new administrator of St. Vincent's Hospital, Kansas City, Mo., succeeding **Sister Agnes**, who is now associated with St. Vincent's Infant Home, Milwaukee.

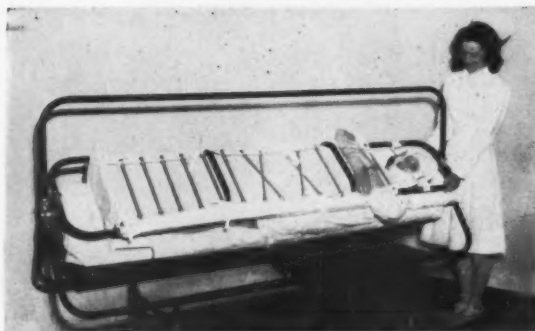
**James W. Brown Jr.**, formerly administrative aide and purchasing agent at Grady Memorial Hospital, Atlanta, Ga., has been named an assistant superintendent of the hospital.

**Sister M. Dolorata, O.S.F.**, has become administrator of St. Joseph's Hospital, Philadelphia, exchanging



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**Harry A. Blythe** has been named director of city hospitals of Winston-Salem, N.C. Mr. Blythe was originally appointed administrator of City Memorial Hospital, Winston-Salem, but was later given the new post. In this capacity Mr. Blythe not only is director of City Memorial but also heads the Kate Bitting Reynolds Memorial Hospital. He formerly was assistant superintendent of the University of Chicago Clinics. Mr. Blythe, who received his

master's degree in hospital administration from Northwestern University, is a member of the American Hospital Association, the North Carolina Hospital Association, and the American College of Hospital Administrators.

**Herman R. Goldberg** is the newly appointed administrative assistant to the executive director of the Albert Einstein Medical Center, Philadelphia. **Robert M. Sigmond**, assistant director of the northern division of the center, has been granted a leave of absence to become director of fiscal studies for the national Commission on Financing

Hospital Care. The commission's headquarters are in Chicago.

**William S. Marshall** has succeeded **R. W. Airey Jr.** as administrator of Pioneer Memorial Hospital, Prineville, Ore. Mr. Marshall previously was associated with the Caterpillar Tractor Company, Peoria, Ill.

**Sister Reine** has succeeded **Sister Rose of the Precious Blood** as superintendent of Sacred Heart Hospital, Medford, Ore. Sister Rose, who has supervised the hospital for the last two years, has been transferred to St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Yakima, Wash.

**Robert Wilkins** has been named acting administrator of Community Hospital, Inc., at Medford, Ore.

**Thelma Bergstresser, R.N.**, is the new superintendent of the Brodstone Memorial Hospital, Superior, Neb., succeeding **Marie Hartell**.

**Opal Johnson, R.N.**, has been appointed superintendent of the new Franklin County Memorial Hospital, Omaha, Neb.

**Arthur G. Burns** has been appointed supervisor of the hospital division of the Florida State Improvement Commission with headquarters in Tallahassee. Mr. Burns was formerly administrator of Lawrence General Hospital, Lawrence, Mass.

#### Department Heads

**Lt. Col. Harry A. Horstman Jr.** has been named chief of the outpatient service at Walter Reed Army Hospital, Washington, D.C. Colonel Horstman, a graduate of the Georgetown University School of Medicine, for the last three years has been assistant chief of the medical service at Rodriguez Army Hospital, San Juan, Puerto Rico. He is an associate member of the District of Columbia Medical Society and an associate in the American College of Physicians. He was qualified by the American Board of Internal Medicine in 1950.

**Josephine Durham** assumed her new duties August 1 as director of nurses at East End Memorial Hospital, Birmingham, Ala. She succeeded **Mrs. Ferrell Pearce**, who resigned July 1.

**Henrietta R. Hennik** is the new director of nursing and principal of the school of nursing at Faulkner Hospital, Jamaica Plain, Mass., succeeding **S. Daphne Corbett**, who resigned in order to do further graduate study. Miss Hennik formerly was assistant



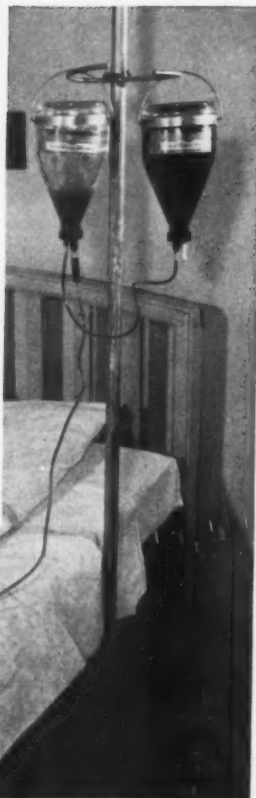
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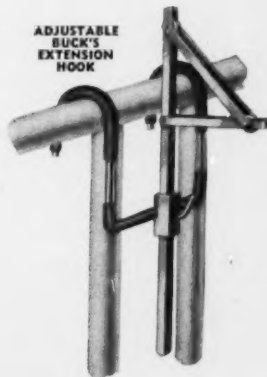


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director of nursing at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston.

**Dr. Russell B. Street Jr.**, formerly assistant pathologist at the Massachusetts Memorial Hospital, Boston, is now pathologist and head of the Quincy City Hospital laboratory at Quincy, Mass.

**Mrs. Frances Haise, R.N.**, is now nursing service director at St. Joseph Hospital, Memphis, Tenn.

**Oliver Bergevin** is the newly appointed office manager of Good Samaritan Hospital, Portland, Ore. Formerly a corporation accountant, Mr.

Bergevin also has served as a public accountant in Walla Walla, Wash.

**Jane Ashby** is the newly appointed administrative dietitian of Children's Memorial Hospital, Omaha, Neb., succeeding **Ellen Hesse**. Mrs. Ashby formerly was assistant dietitian.

**Sister Mary Odolina, O.S.F., R.N.**, surgical supervisor for 17 years at Creighton Memorial St. Joseph's Hospital, Omaha, Neb., has been appointed to a similar post at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Lincoln, Neb. In her new work she will organize the operative service of the new surgical pavilion to be

housed in the hospital's new addition. Succeeding Sister Odolina at the Omaha institution is **Sister Mary Ann Frances, O.S.F., R.N.**, who received her master's degree in nursing education in June at St. Louis University.

#### Miscellaneous

**Dr. Norman H. Topping** has been appointed vice president of the University of Pennsylvania in charge of medical affairs. His appointment will be effective November 1. Dr. Topping is now associate director of the National Institutes of Health at Bethesda, Md., research branch of the Public Health Service, Federal Security Agency, and an assistant surgeon general. As medical vice president, Dr. Topping will administer the university's entire medical program, which includes six schools and the related hospitals and laboratories. A past president of the American Society of Tropical Medicine, Dr. Topping is a member of the Association of American Physicians, American Public Health Association, American Medical Association, American Academy of Tropical Medicine, American Epidemiological Society, and the Society of Experimental Biology and Medicine. Besides the Typhus Commission Medal, Dr. Topping has received the A.S.T.M.'s Eli Lilly Bailey K. Ashford Award and the award of the Washington Academy of Science.

#### Deaths

**Mrs. Barnett Davis**, who organized the Ladies' Hospital Aid Society in 1898, which led to the founding of Montefiore Hospital, Pittsburgh, 10 years later, died August 16. She served as president of the society for 20 years. She also had served as president of the Jewish Home for Babies and Children in Pittsburgh.

**Dr. Alfred K. Haywood, O.B.E.**, superintendent of the Vancouver General Hospital, Vancouver, B.C., for 17 years until his retirement in 1947, died recently. Before going to Vancouver he was superintendent of the Montreal General Hospital for 13 years. From 1914 to 1917 he was in the Canadian Army.

Dr. Haywood was the first person to receive, in 1949, the George Findlay Stephens Memorial Award, established in memory of the late **Dr. George F. Stephens**, former superintendent of the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, Que., from the Canadian Hospital Council.



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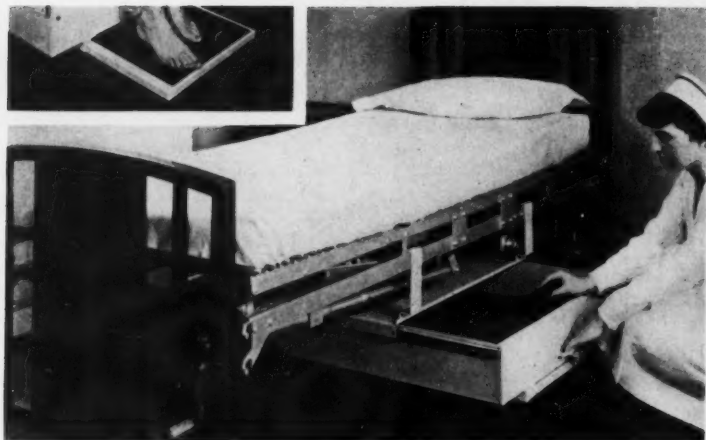
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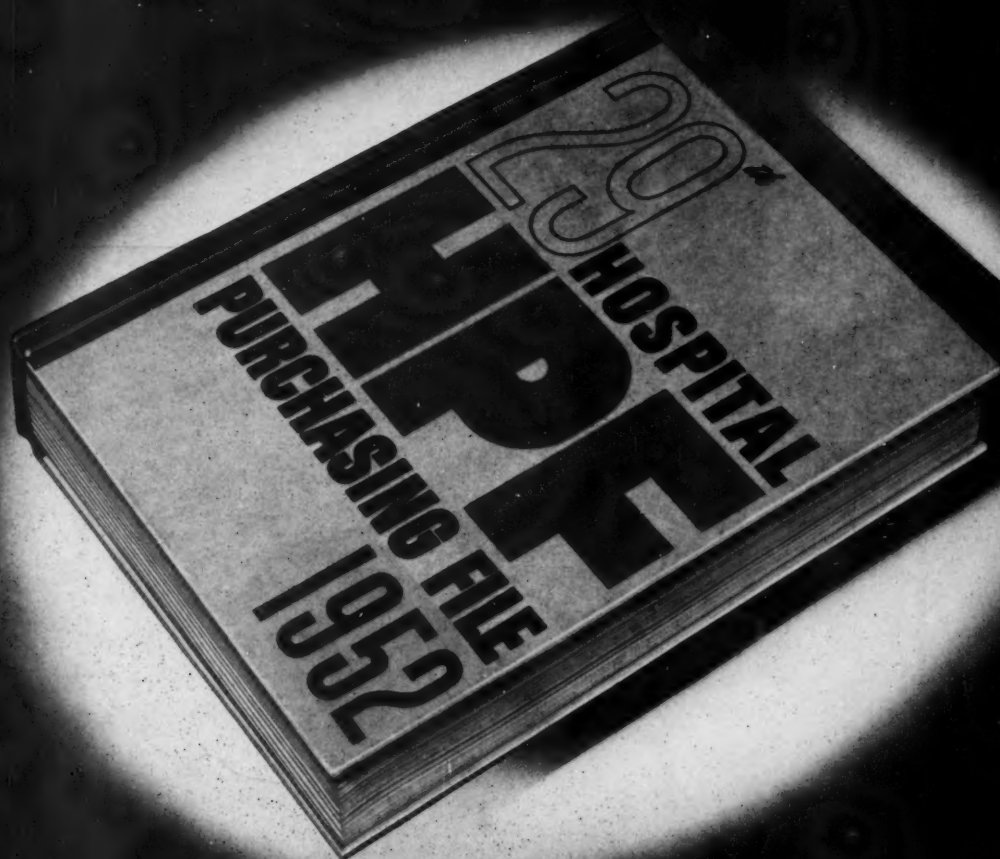
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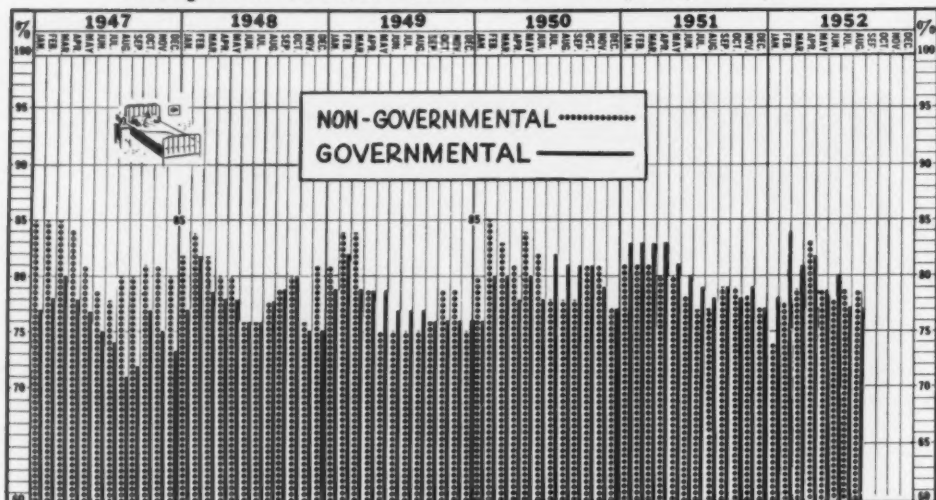


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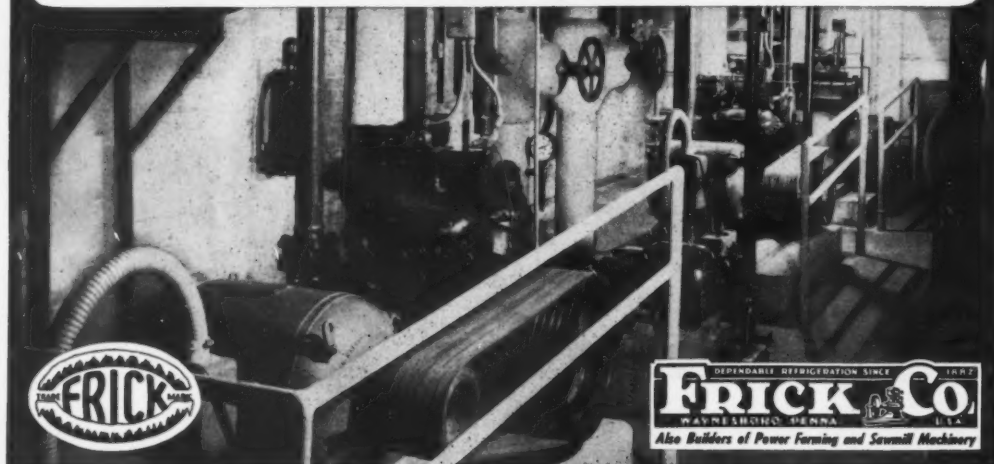
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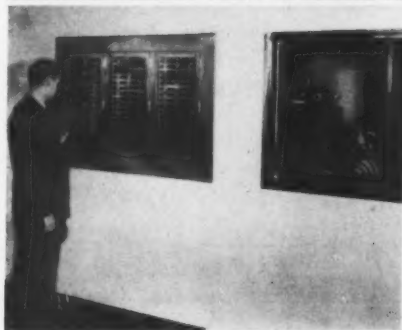
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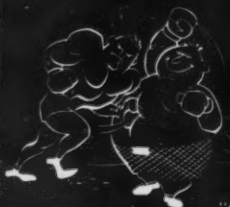
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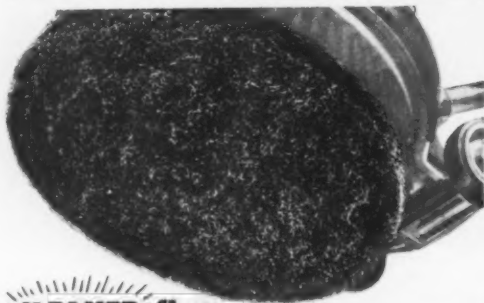
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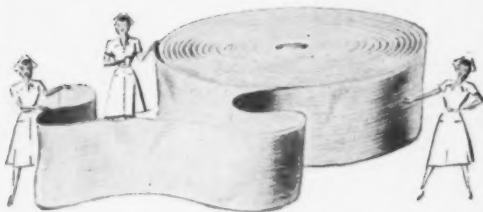
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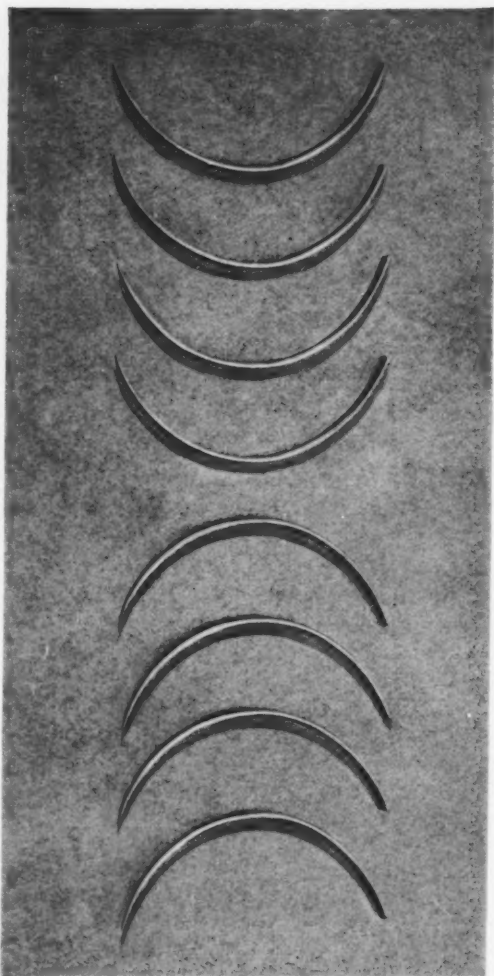
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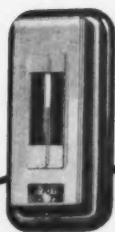
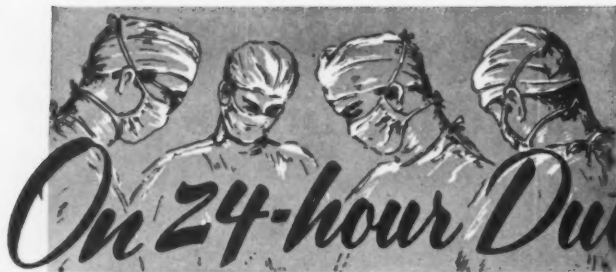
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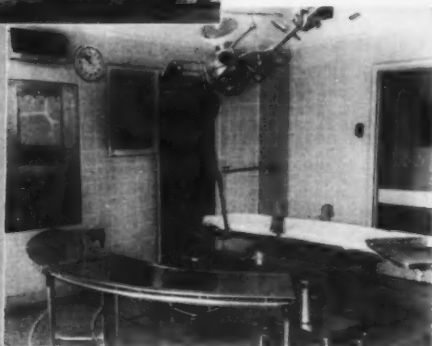
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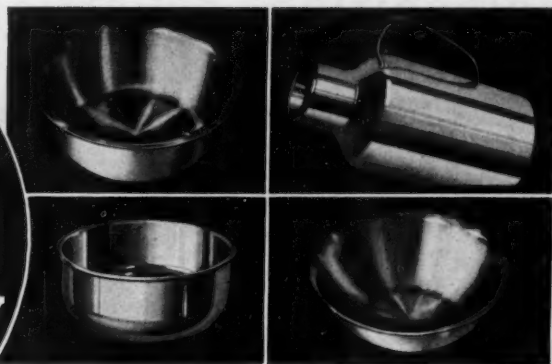
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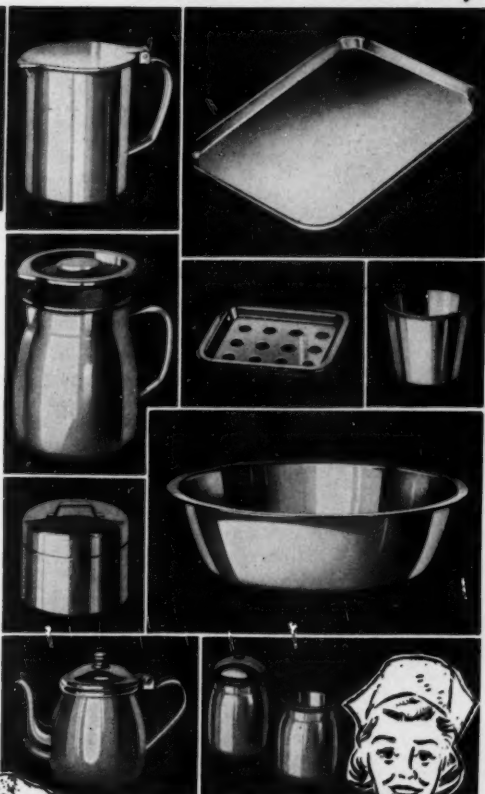
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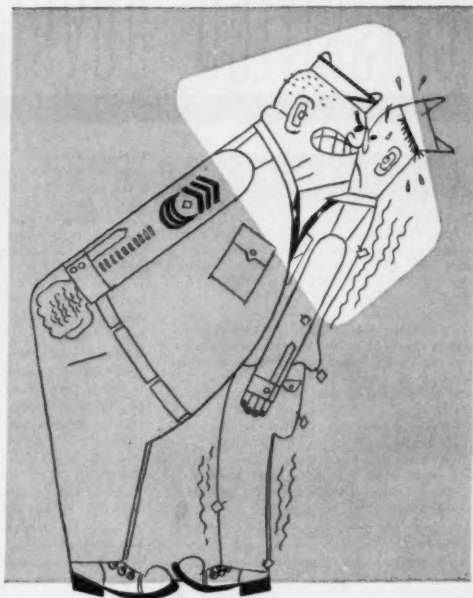
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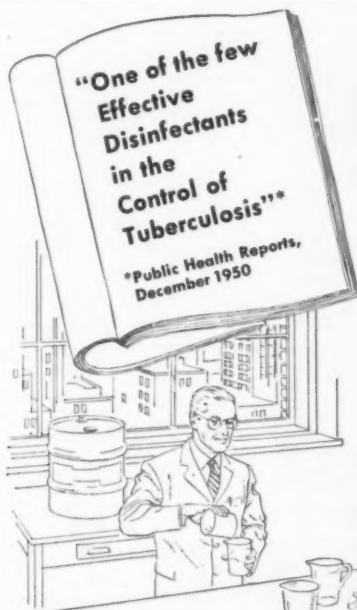
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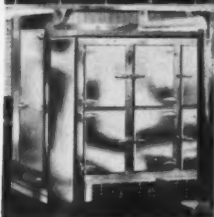


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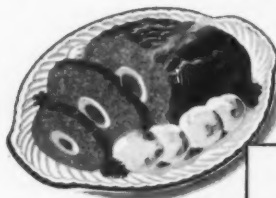
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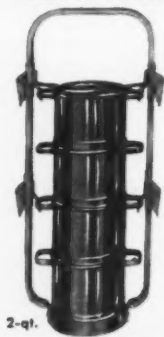
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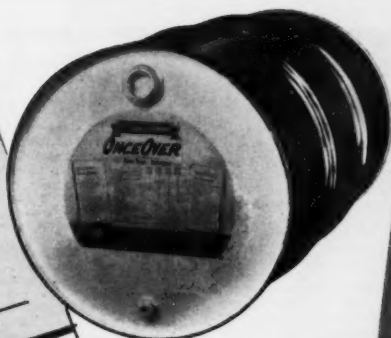
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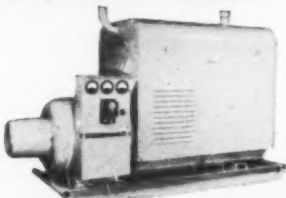
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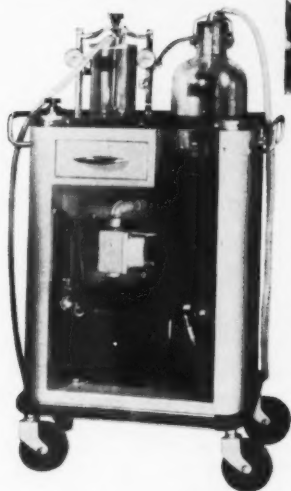
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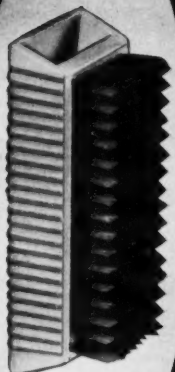
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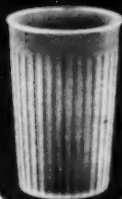


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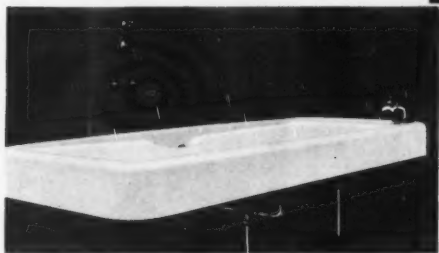
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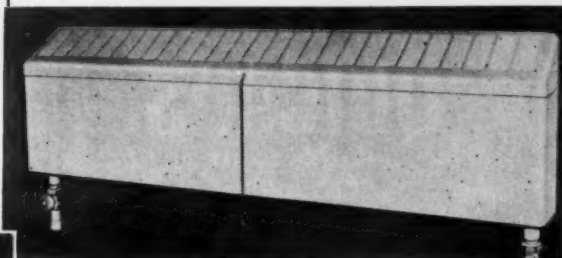


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### WOODWARD—Continued

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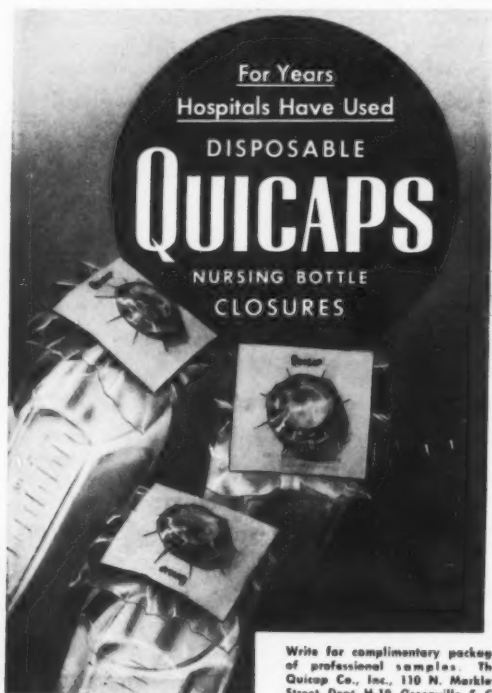
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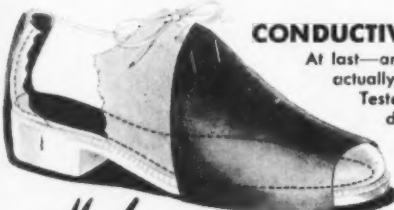
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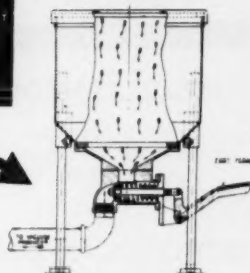
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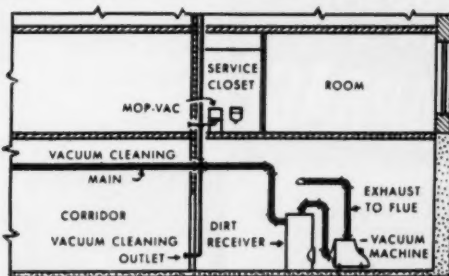


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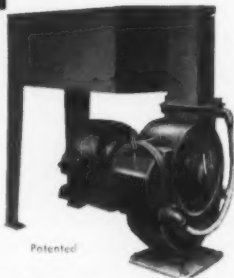
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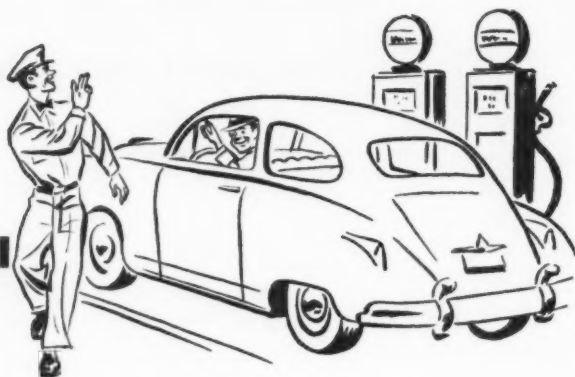
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# "SEE YOU AT THE POLLS!"



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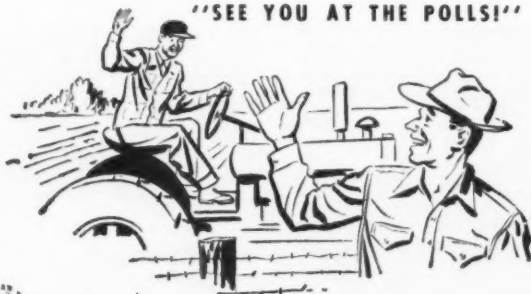
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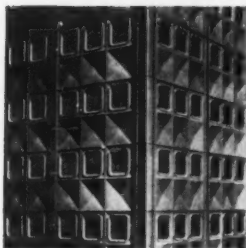
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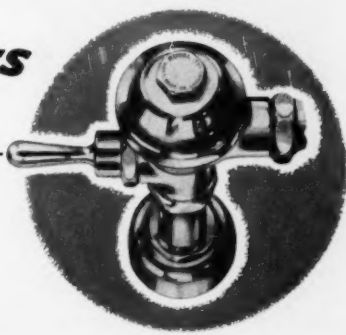
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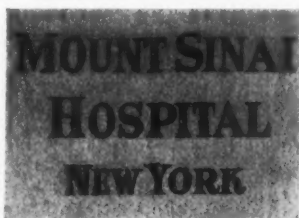
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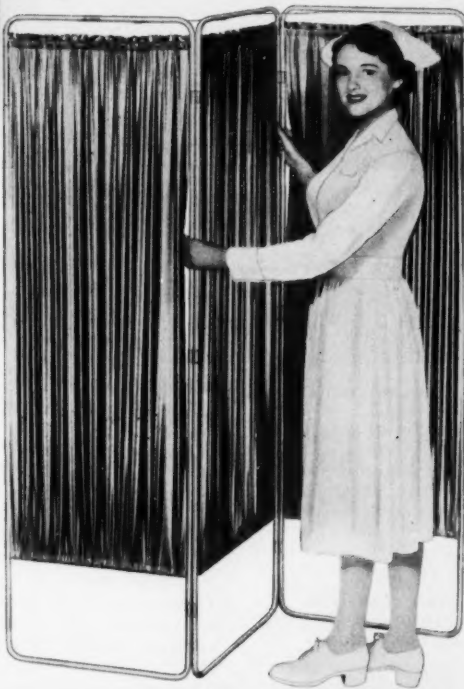
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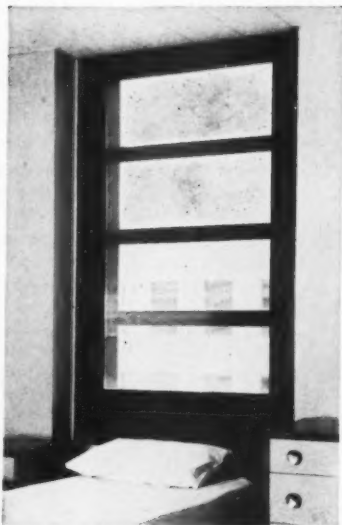
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# What's New for Hospitals

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## Overbed Frame



The new Stryker Universal Overbed Frame can be attached to any ordinary bed or crib. The light weight but durable frame can be quickly assembled or dismantled and is easy to store when not in use. Only one person is needed to assemble the chromium plated parts. The bed end clamps will fit the ends of any bed and are plastic covered to prevent marring.

The overbed frame can be used as a grasping bar for the patient, as, in effect, a Balkan frame, and for other overbed frame purposes. The frame may be purchased in units and can be assembled to suit any need. It is a sturdy, light weight, economical unit requiring no accessories to convert any bed for traction and other orthopedic needs. **Orthopedic Frame Co., Dept. MH, 420 Alcott St., Kalamazoo, Mich. (Key No. 319)**

## Melmac Orthopedic Composition

A new orthopedic cast material known as Melmac Orthopedic Composition has been introduced after considerable research and experiment. Thin, light weight casts can be made which provide adequate immobility and support within a few hours after application. Casts made with the new composition are sufficiently porous to permit evaporation of moisture from the skin. Greater x-ray penetration is also possible and continued observation of the patient's progress is simple and accurate.

The new Melmac Orthopedic Composition casts are water and urine resistant and may be soaked for several days in water without disintegrating.

Plaster loss is reduced and fewer bandages need be applied. Clinical tests involving the application of over 800 casts showed absence of irritating effects attributable to the Melmac, according to the manufacturer. The solution is easily prepared and attendants do not need gloves to apply the bandages dipped in the solution. **Davis & Geck, Inc., Division of American Cyanamid Co., Dept. MH, 57 Willoughby St., Brooklyn 1, N. Y. (Key No. 320)**

## Elastic Hosiery for Men

Ace Full-Footed Elastic Hosiery is now available for men. Made of seamless, light weight, nylon-covered latex which closely resembles highest quality nylon dress hose, the new full-footed Ace Elastic Hosiery is comfortable, therapeutically correct and handsome in appearance. A "built-in" two-way stretch provides gentle but persistent support to the entire leg and foot. Firm anchorage is provided by the specially woven latex heel which also prevents swelling. The non-elastic nylon toe assures flexibility, ease and comfort without cramping the toes.

No overhose are necessary with the new Ace Elastic Hosiery for men as the



ankles fit smoothly without wrinkling or excessive bulk and the hose are available in deep burgundy color. A two-inch adjustable cuff holds the hose in place without constriction so that garters are not necessary. The new hose are available in sizes 10, 11, 12 and 13. **Becton, Dickinson & Co., Dept. MH, Rutherford, N. J. (Key No. 321)**

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## Half-Size Safety Side



As assurance to patients unaccustomed to the higher and narrower hospital bed, the new Simmons Half-Size Safety Sides can be used at night to protect against the patient accidentally rolling over and falling out of bed. They also provide a safety "reminder" during the day for patients who do not require full size safety sides. The patient does not have the sense of confinement often present with full sized safety sides. The H-49 Half-Size Safety Sides also provide a brace for the patient in raising or lifting himself in bed, yet the convalescent or ambulatory patient can easily get out of bed without the sides being removed.

The H-49 is constructed of all metal tubing and is attached to the bed frame by means of simple bolts. The Half-sides are light in weight and can be attached to the bed easily by one person. They provide inexpensive safety for the patient and ease of mind to personnel without the constriction of full sides. **Simmons Co., Dept. MH, Merchandise Mart, Chicago 54. (Key No. 322)**

## Conductive Foot Stool

Designed to minimize explosion hazards in the operating room, the new Winfield Model Stainless Steel Foot Stool has electrically-conductive floor tips and an electrically-conductive rubber tread. The leg design prevents the stool from tipping and the legs are reinforced by a welded T-shaped brace for added strength and stability. It is available in three sizes: 10 by 14 inches, 12 by 18 inches and 12 by 30 inches. **S. Blickman, Inc., Dept. MH, Weehawken, N. J. (Key No. 323)**

## What's New . . .

### Disposable Administration Set

The VAS-10 is a new disposable sterile vented administration set for hospital made solutions with flasks using single opening stopper. It is sterile, pyrogen



free, non-toxic and leakproof and is ready for use except for sterile recipient needle. The disposable sets eliminate the necessity for cleaning, sterilizing and assembling hospital made sets.

Each administration set consists of plug-in with foolproof ball check valve, accurate drip chamber, extra long length of tubing, section of latex tubing for supplemental medication and nylon needle adapter. The individually packaged and sealed sets have instructions printed on each package and offer simplified technic, compact storage and saving in labor. The sets are made by Sterilon for exclusive distribution by American Sterilizer Co., Dept. MH, Erie, Pa. (Key No. 324)

### Heat-Absorbing Glass

Pennvernon Solex is a flat drawn sheet glass with the functional heat-absorbing, glare-reducing characteristics of Solex. It is a greenish tint heavy flat drawn glass in  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch thickness manufactured to reduce the intensity of solar radiation without sacrificing the light transmission characteristics of high quality glass. It reduces interior heat of rooms with windows in direct sunlight and the pleasant greenish tint softens light intensity and reduces glare. Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., Dept. MH, 632 Duquesne Way, Pittsburgh 22, Pa. (Key No. 325)

### Bronchus Clamp

Especially designed for use in pulmonary resection, the new Rubin Bronchus Clamp is usable for either the right or left bronchus, singly or in pairs, and is not impeded by solid lung tissue. It is designed to eliminate many of the technical difficulties involved in the clamping, division and closure of the bronchus and may be used with equal facility regardless of the position of the patient on the operating table. The clamp is available in three sizes. J. Sklar Mfg. Co., Dept. MH, 38-04 Woodside Ave., Long Island City 4, N. Y. (Key No. 326)

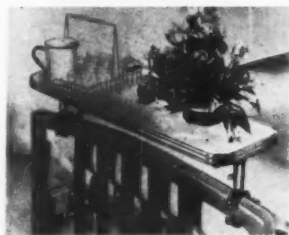
### Surgiset, Jr.

Surgiset, Jr. is an addition to the Ethicon Surgiset emergency suture unit. Individual bottles with sturdy, non-tip bases contain one dozen sterile Ethicon Cuticular sutures each, ready for instant use. Atralog eyeless needles are swaged to the surgical gut, silk, dermal and nylon to provide non-traumatic sutures to meet the requirements of emergency repair. The unit, base and one dozen sutures, is offered at the same price as the sutures alone. Ethicon Suture Laboratories Incorporated, Dept. MH, New Brunswick, N. J. (Key No. 327)

### Special Diet Foods

A new line of Special Diet Foods is being made available containing Abbott's Sucaryl Calcium as a sweetening agent. Thirty times sweeter than sugar, the product has no disagreeable after taste and is offered for diabetic, cardiac, kidney and overweight patients when a low sodium, sugar-free, low calorie diet is prescribed. Seidel's Special Diet Foods were developed in consultation with chemists and dietitians. They include soup bases, gelatin desserts and beverage concentrates, packed in convenient jars and bottles. All products are easy to prepare and heating does not injure their palatability. Ad. Seidel & Son, Inc., Dept. MH, 1245 W. Dickens Ave., Chicago 14. (Key No. 328)

### Bed-End Utility Table



A new table for the use of the nurse, which is out of the patient's way, is offered in the new Bed-End Utility Table. The table is attached with either clamps or steel rods, depending on the bed model, to the foot end of the bed and provides an extra space for holding flowers, medicine trays and other items. The table is strong and firm and built to hold an unusual amount of weight. It has a Formica top which does not scratch, scar, burn or chip and can be washed with soap and water. The table has a protective, decorative metal band around the edge. It is oval in shape, 30 inches long, 9 inches wide and  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch in thickness. American Hospital Supply Corp., Dept. MH, Evanston, Ill. (Key No. 329)

### Pediatric Proctological Table

Developed by Dr. Saul Schapiro of the Jewish Hospital, Brooklyn, the new Schapiro Pediatric Proctological Table is designed to simplify pediatric procto-



logical examination and treatment. The child is placed comfortably in a fixed position for the best possible viewing and ease of instrumentation. The table lifts the abdomen forward and off the table to remove all pressure and cause the viscera to fall forward.

The table is a lightweight unit and can be placed on any flat table or other surface. The sturdy welded tubing frame is finished in baked Silverlux enamel. Sponge rubber cushions are affixed to the frame and covered with durable acid-resistant plastic material. Two adjustable straps are provided to accommodate different sized infants quickly by use of spring snaps. Shampaine Co., Dept. MH, 1920 S. Jefferson Ave., St. Louis 4, Mo. (Key No. 330)

### Dictaphone Telecord System

Combining the telephone with the Dictaphone dictating machine, the Dictaphone Telecord System provides greater letter and record writing efficiency. It facilitates dictating of medical records and other reports by doctors and department heads and provides readily available dictation facilities throughout the institution. Up to ten telephones can be connected to a centrally located Time-Master dictating machine. Dictators simply pick up the handset and dictate into the centrally located Telecord Time-Master, which can be any distance from the telephone connections.

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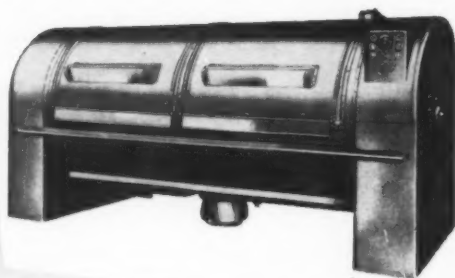
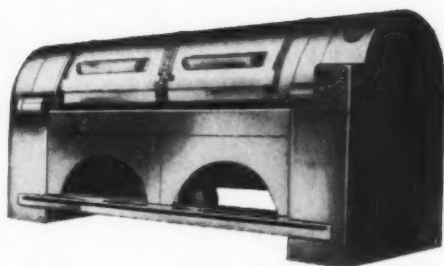
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### X-Ray Film Identification

Neatly typed identifying data can now be added to radiographs with the new Kodak X-Ray Film Identification Printer, Model B. Designed for darkroom operation, the new printer features automatic timing, uniform exposure, speed and convenience. The new model accommodates a requisition card with the case data to be printed on the radiograph. Finger-tip pressure makes the exposure. Identifying data may be printed on either screen or no-screen film. Model B is sturdily constructed for hard use with a cast metal housing. **Eastman Kodak Co., Dept. MH, Rochester 4, N. Y. (Key No. 333)**

### Plastic Dinnerware Cleaner

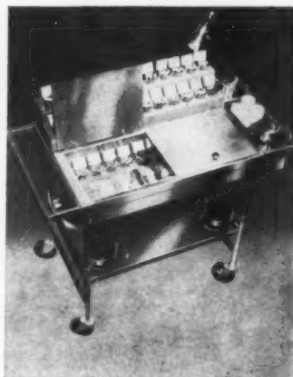
A new stain remover especially recommended for Melamine molded dinnerware is introduced as Dip-It. It can be used on both plastic and china and will not harm plastic surfaces. Dip-It removes film buildup while bleaching out stain. It is harmless to colors, does not discolor white dinnerware, leaves no odor and prolongs the serviceable life of plasticware by keeping it fresh and new in appearance. The product has

been field tested for over two years and has the approval of American Cyanamid Company, basic manufacturers of Melmac plastic. Dip-It can also be used for removing burnt-in stains on Pyrexware and aluminum. **Economics Laboratory, Inc., Dept. MH, Guardian Bldg., St. Paul 1, Minn. (Key No. 334)**

### Photo Paper Dispenser

Sensitized photo paper can be safely stored and easily dispensed, one sheet at a time, with the new Ejector Paper Safe. A push of a lever releases the sheet of photo paper when needed. The dispenser is compact and lightproof, durably constructed and finished in black crackle. It is available in sizes to handle 8½ by 11 and 8½ by 14 as well as 5 by 7 and 8 by 10 photo paper. **General Photo Products Co., Inc., Dept. MH, Chatham, N. J. (Key No. 335)**

### Medicine Dispenser



Practically a nursing station on wheels, the Meinecke Mobile Medicine Dispenser is a self-contained mobile unit for dispensing routine oral medications and hypodermics to wards and private rooms. The unit provides flexibility, extra large capacity and working space, and is quiet in operation. It is designed to dispense a maximum of 34 medications. All medicine glasses are fitted with Meinecke Combined Metal Covers, Pill Trays and Medicine Card Holders. Two syringe trays, a needle sterilizer and three covered Pyrex jars for cotton balls or pads are conveniently located in a spacious compartment equipped with a divided lid.

The unit is sturdily constructed and equipped with small rubber bumpers to prevent noise when the hinged lids are shut. A swivel-mounted flashlight provides light when medications are dispensed at night without necessitating the turning on of ceiling lights. **Meinecke & Co., Inc., Dept. MH, 225 Varick St., New York 14. (Key No. 336)**

### Aluminum Builders' Hardware

Pressure-cast aluminum is now being used for five items of builders' hardware made by P. & F. Corbin. Included are a door stop, sash fastener, coat and hat hook, bar sash lift and hand rail bracket. The items are strong and durable, though light, and are rustproof and attractively styled. They are economical in cost and are supplied in satin aluminum or ball-burnished brass finish. **P. & F. Corbin Division, The American Hardware Corp., Dept. MH, New Britain, Conn. (Key No. 337)**

### Portable Insulated Containers

The new No. 960 series Portable Insulated Containers for hot or cold beverages are built of stainless steel throughout, completely insulated. They are available in 5 and 10 gallon sizes, with and without a faucet. Liquids are kept at desired temperatures for many hours and are easily served from the Cecilware Containers. Large 11 inch openings make filling and cleaning easy and they are easily handled with the Easy-Grip handles. **Cecil Mfg. Co., Inc., Dept. MH, 206 Canal St., New York 13. (Key No. 338)**

### Bulk Milk Dispenser

The new Monitor 20 quart single self-refrigerated stainless steel bulk milk dispenser provides facilities for the sanitary dispensing of bulk milk. As in Monitor dispensers of other sizes, the new unit features the Monitor stainless steel "tube-faucet" which is sealed inside the milk can at the dairy, assuring against the possibility of contamination of the milk in the dispenser.

The dispenser accommodates the standard sized milk can and has ample space below the dispenser faucet for glasses or standard sized milk shake containers. The positive shut-off action prevents milk from dripping and the force of the milk flow is controlled to prevent splash. The dispensers are made



of stainless steel and are self-refrigerated. **Monitor Process Corp., Dept. MH, 192 Bright St., Jersey City 2, N. J. (Key No. 339)**

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## 2 Hospital Blasts Kill 2 Patients

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP)—An explosion of anesthetic gas apparently killed Mrs. Anna Roberts, 68, on the operating table at the Veterans Hospital here yesterday.

Two anesthetists, Miss Frances McFar and Miss Dickers, were injured slightly in the explosion. The surgeons, Dr. R. B. Collier, and his assistant, Dr. J. H. Davis, were not injured.

## ANESTHETIC BLAST IN BODY FATAL TO WOMAN PATIENT

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 31. (AP)—A San Francisco woman died of what the coroner's jury said was an explosion of anesthetic gas in her body.

## Probe Fatal Hospital Blast

FAIRFIELD, Me. (AP)—An operating room explosion that killed a patient and injured two doctors here yesterday is being investigated by the state coroner.

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## ANESTHETIC BLAST INJURES PATIENT

ULICH, July 2 (A.P.)—A woman undergoing an operation was injured seriously today, and a surgeon and three nurses were hurt when an anesthetic exploded in an operating room of the [redacted] Hospital.

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## PATIENT BADLY HURT BY ANESTHETIC BLAST

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., Feb. 16.—An anesthetic being given to a patient in the [redacted] Hospital exploded today. The patient, Carl di Iorio, 47 years old, of 23 [redacted] Street, New Rochelle, had been undergoing a leg operation. He was on the operating table when the explosion occurred.

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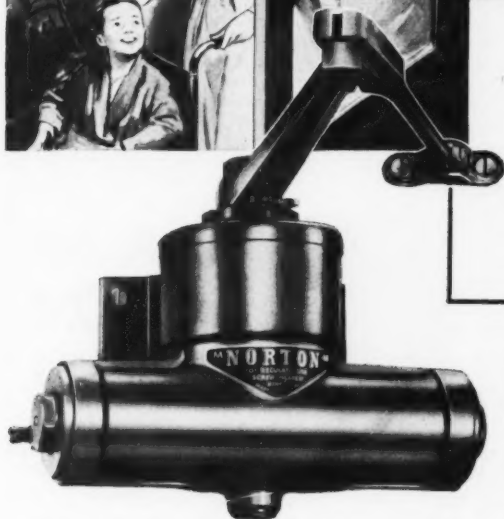
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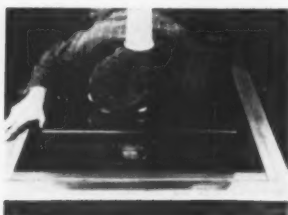
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able, brown Naugahyde. The chair is 25½ inches wide overall and folds to approximately 10½ inches for easy storage. Gendron Wheel Co., Dept. MH, Perrysburg, Ohio. (Key No. 342)

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*COBALT.....	0.006 mg.	*PHOSPHORUS.....	940 mg.	CHOLINE.....	200 mg.	*THIAMINE.....	1.2 mg.
*COPPER.....	0.7 mg.	POTASSIUM.....	1300 mg.	FOLIC ACID.....	0.05 mg.	*VITAMIN A.....	3200 I.U.
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*IODINE.....	0.7 mg.	ZINC.....	2.6 mg.	PANTOTHENIC ACID	3.0 mg.	*VITAMIN D.....	420 I.U.
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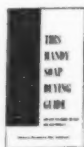
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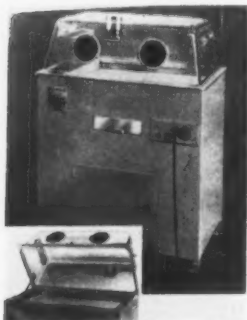
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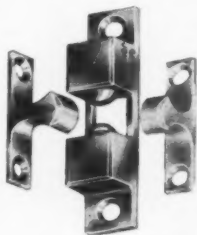
### Food Waste Disposer

A self contained unit for the disposal of all types of cooked and uncooked food waste is offered in the new Salvajor WasteXit, Model MA2 Food Waste Disposer. The unit bolts to the floor and drain connection can be made on either side. It consists of the grinder, feed chute, safety feed door, water control mechanism and magnetic starter. It is adaptable to any table 35 inches high. Waste is discharged as a flowing liquid and the unit has a capacity for disposal of 1500 pounds of waste per hour. The Salvajor Co., Dept. MH, 118 Southwest Blvd., Kansas City 8, Mo. (Key No. 344)

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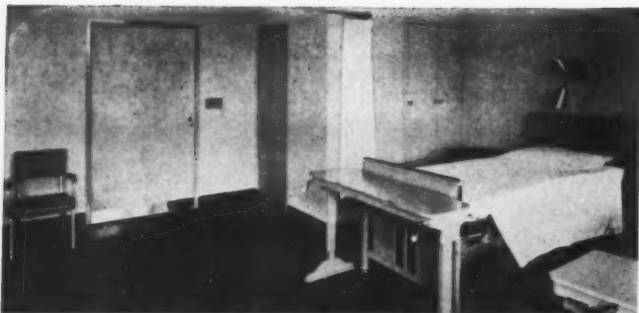
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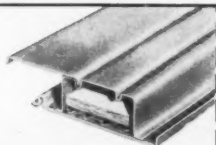
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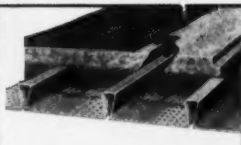
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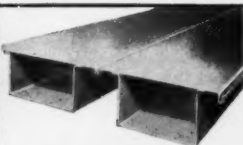
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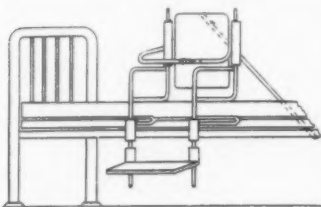


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have the comfort and benefit of a sitting posture, with the feet lowered, without getting out of bed. **Wm. Rocke Co., Inc., Dept. MH, P. O. Box 623, Bloomington, Ill. (Key No. 346)**

### Stop-Clock

The Precision "Secron" second stop-clock is designed to have the accuracy of a stopwatch but the visibility of a household clock. This laboratory timer has a 36 hour movement controlled by two buttons on top, green for start and red for stop. A clear black on white dial is marked in seconds and a large sweep hand permits estimations to half a second. Total time elapsed up to 60 minutes is registered by a smaller integrating hand. The stop-clock is sturdy and inexpensive. **Precision Scientific Co., Dept. MH, 3737 W. Cortland St., Chicago 47. (Key No. 347)**

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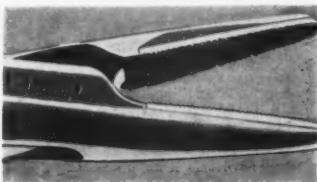
An inexpensive wall covering simulating ceramic tile in plain and marbled effects is offered in Trenwall. It has a special new enamel finish which is alkali-resistant, super-hard and has a high gloss that is durable and easy to clean. The especially processed Neofelt backing

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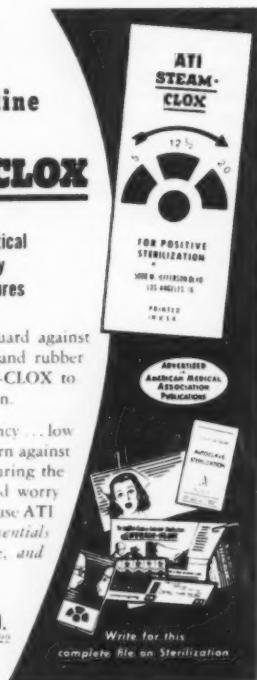
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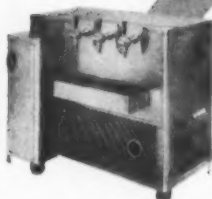
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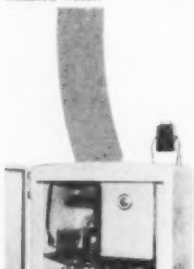
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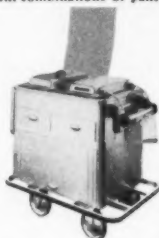


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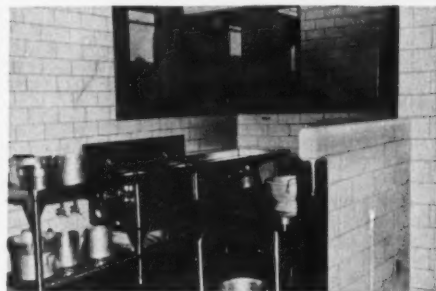
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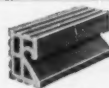


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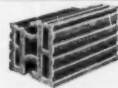
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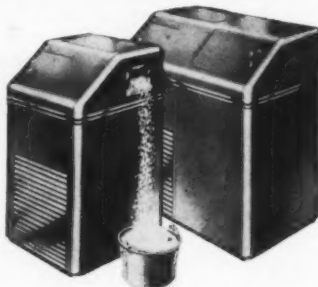
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Available in four sizes, the new A. B. Dick orange colored multi-purpose mimeograph stencil sheet assembly can be had in legal and letter sizes, with or without satin finish film-topping. They give top quality copies with long runs on the mimeograph with quick drying inks such as Dick's Contac-Dri and exceptionally long runs with more commonly used oil base inks. The orange color of the stencil provides high visibility while the stencil is in the type-writer and when it is used on the MimeoScope illuminated drawing board.

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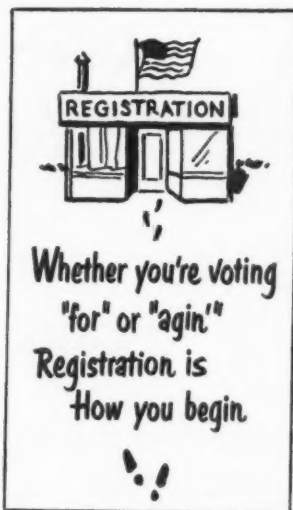
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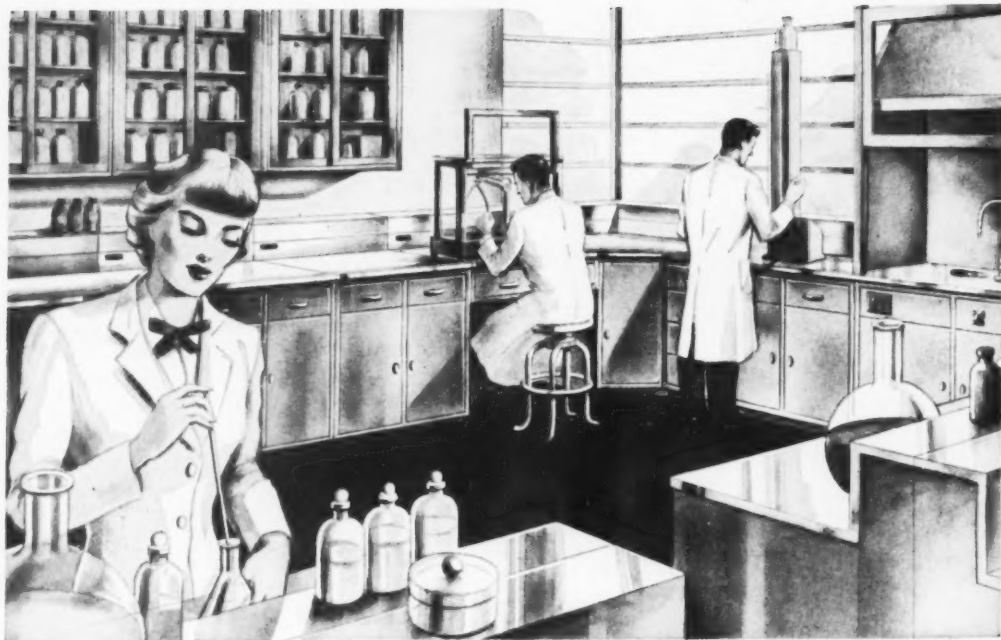
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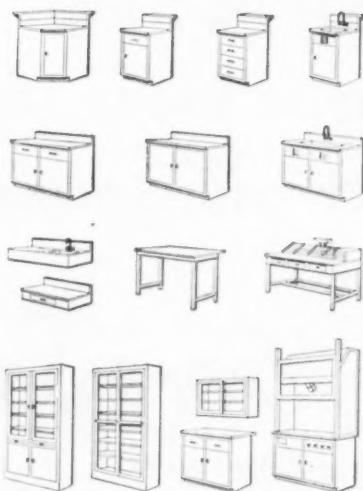
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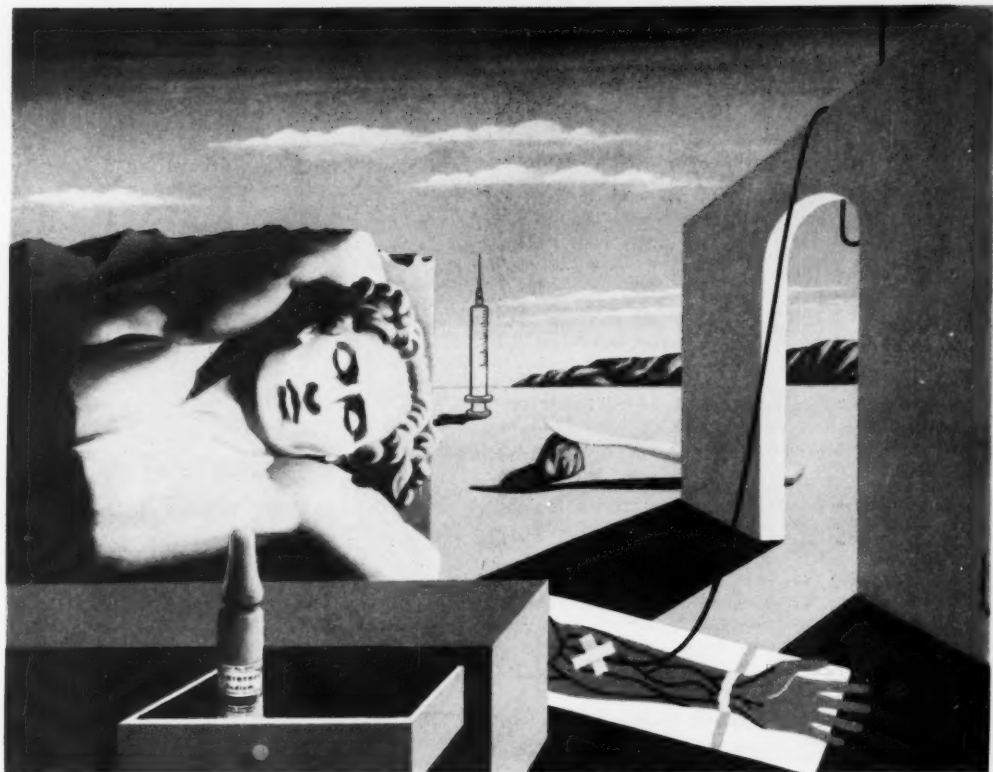
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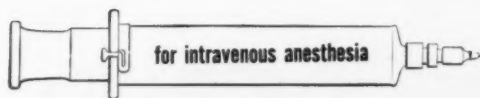


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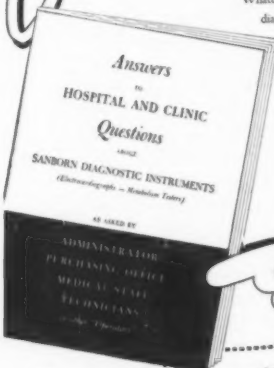
into new buildings. **The Multi-Vent Division, The Pyle-National Co., Dept. MH, 1334 N. Kostner Ave., Chicago 51. (Key No. 355)**

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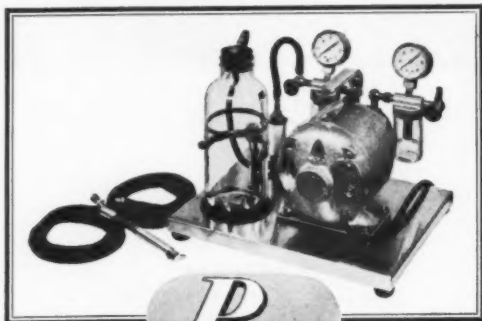
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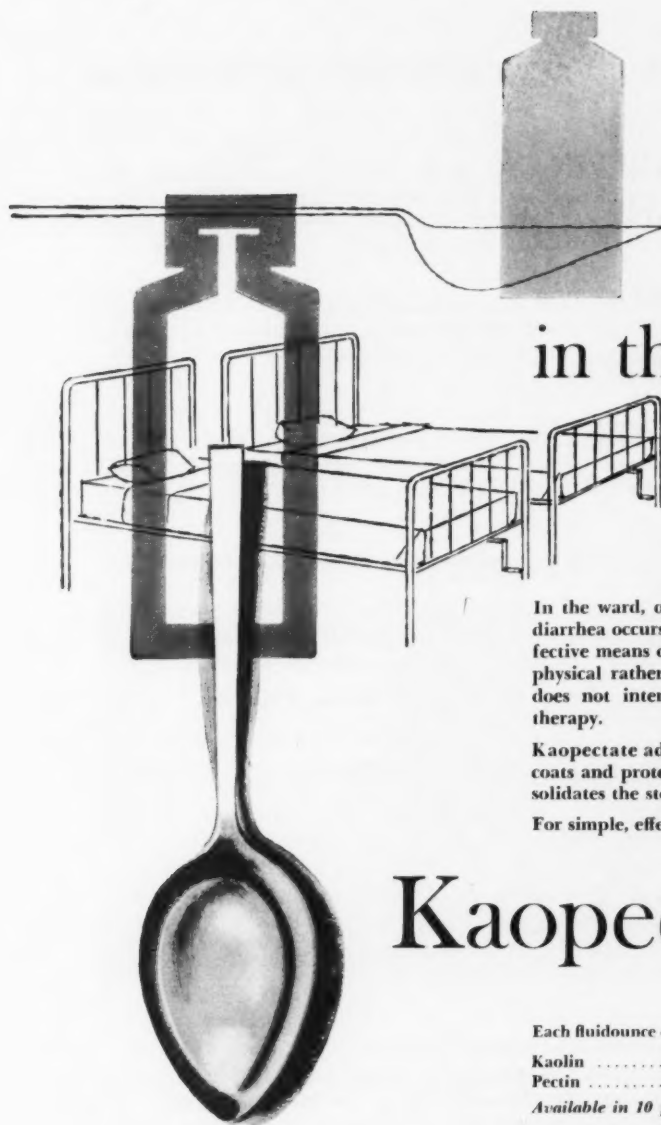
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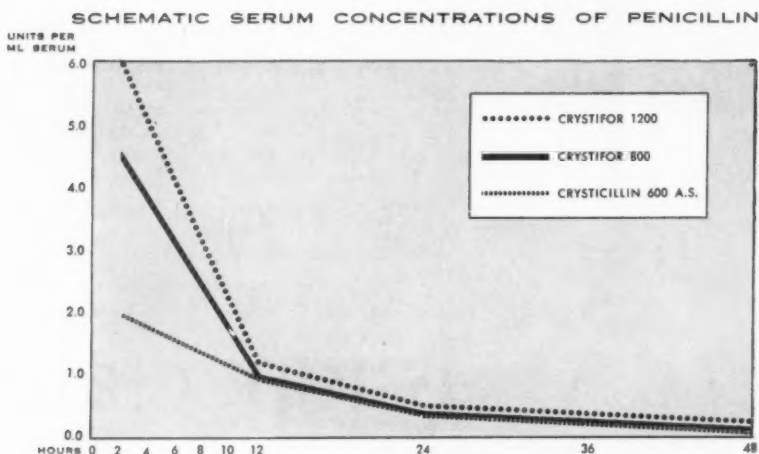
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with safety devices. **The Winnen Incinerator Co., Dept. MH, 932 Broadway, Bedford, Ohio. (Key No. 356)**

### Rubber-Base Outdoor Paint

The new Tropical Cementkote is a rubber-base paint for outside masonry application. Based on synthetic rubber resin, the new product can be applied to cement, cinder block, stucco, brick and stone and provides exceptional resistance to moisture penetration and alkali reaction. Flaking and cracking of masonry caused by freezing and thawing are also reduced by the moisture-sealing action of Cementkote.

No priming or special preparation is needed to paint new construction and no waiting for curing or seasoning is required. Cementkote has a mild, controlled chalking effect and rain will wash off dirt, dust and soot, leaving a fresh, clean appearance. **The Tropical Paint & Oil Co., Dept. MH, 1246 W. 70th St., Cleveland 2, Ohio. (Key No. 357)**

### Alcohol Dispenser

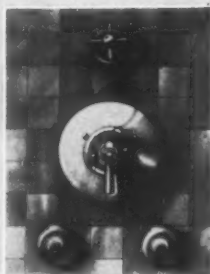
The new Levernier Airlift Alcohol Dispenser is wall panel mounted and foot pedal operated. The mounting panel is 23 inches long, 3 1/4 inches wide and 1/4 inch thick with three holes

drilled for mounting to the wall. The dispenser is equipped with a half gallon jar at the top and a one gallon receiving jug at the bottom of the tray. The pump is all stainless steel and the non-corrosive stainless steel tray is in a large oval shape, eight inches deep. The solution may be



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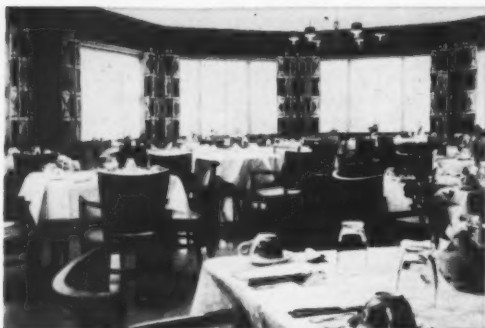
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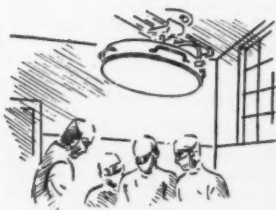
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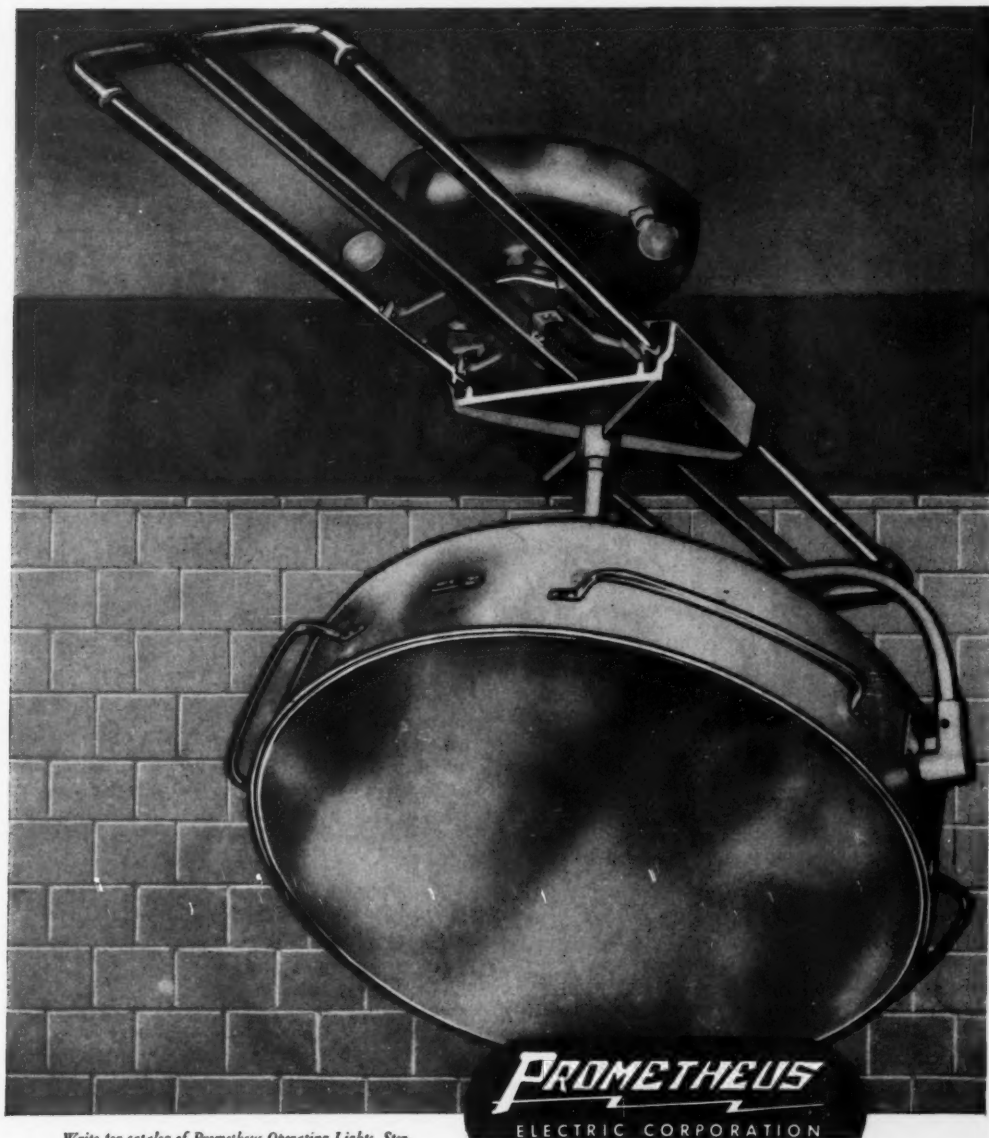
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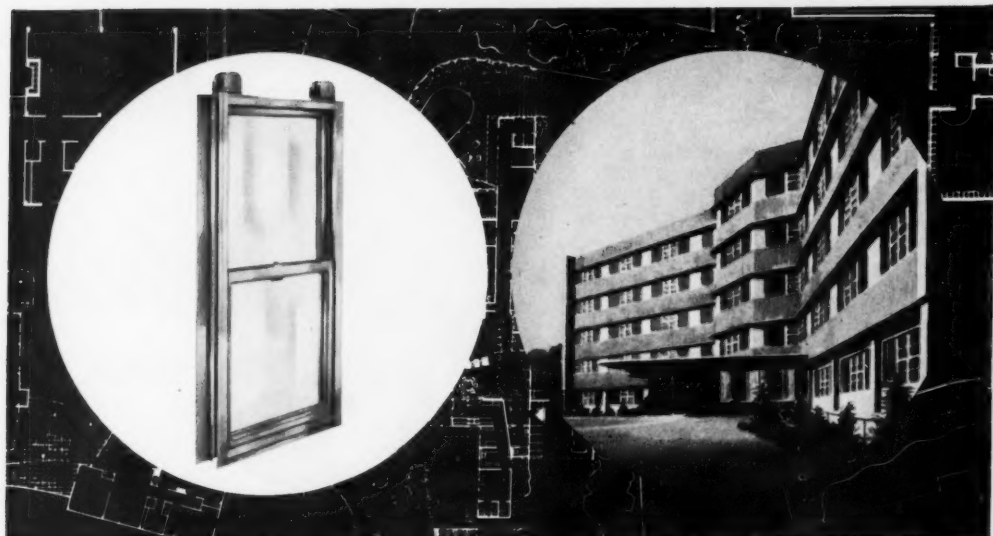
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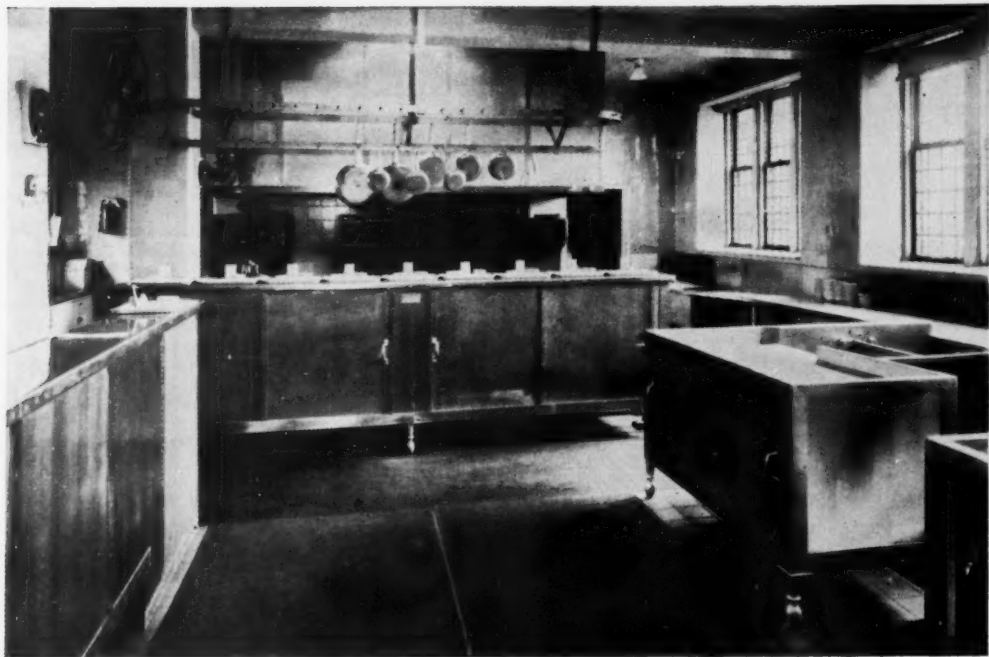
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### Product Literature

• An 18 minute film on how a modern laundry plant processes 110,000 pieces of linen in an eight hour day is available from Troy Laundry Machinery Division, American Machine and Metals, Inc., East Moline, Ill. Featuring the new million dollar centralized laundry of the Union Pacific Railroad system, the sound motion picture is available for showing to groups of hospital executives and to laundry and linen supply officials. (Key No. 369)

• The Kewanee Round "R" Boiler for oil, gas or stoker firing is described and illustrated in the new Catalog No. 92 released by Kewanee-Ross Corp., Kewanee, Ill. Complete information on the quality features of the boiler are given as well as detailed listing of ratings, dimensions, equipment and trims. (Key No. 370)

• Complete equipment for the laboratory department of various sized hospitals, showing the quantity needed and the cost of each item, is listed in the new booklet, "Suggested Lists of Equipment and Supplies for the Laboratory Department of 50, 100 and 200 Bed General Hospitals," issued by Central Scientific Co., 1700 Irving Park Rd., Chicago 13. (Key No. 371)

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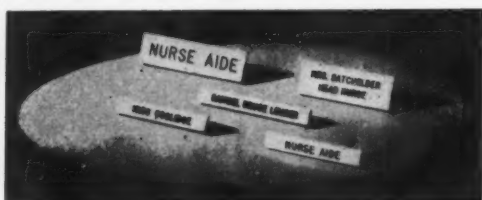


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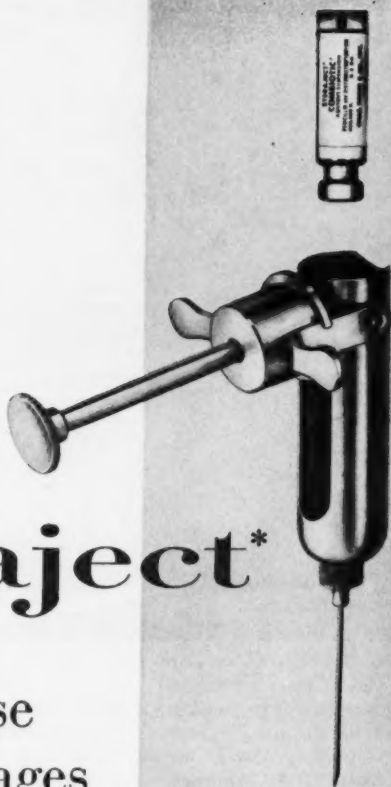
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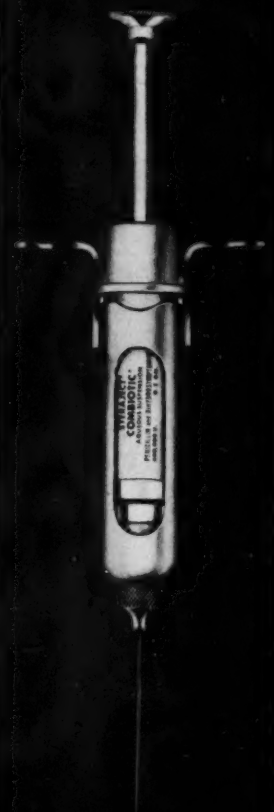
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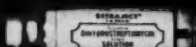
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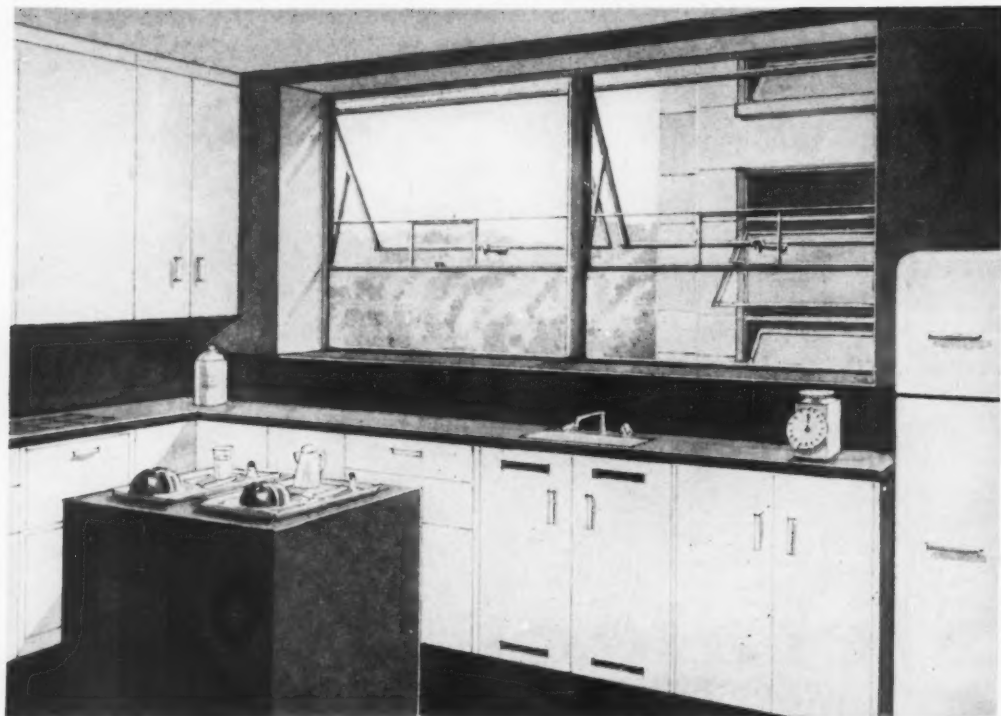
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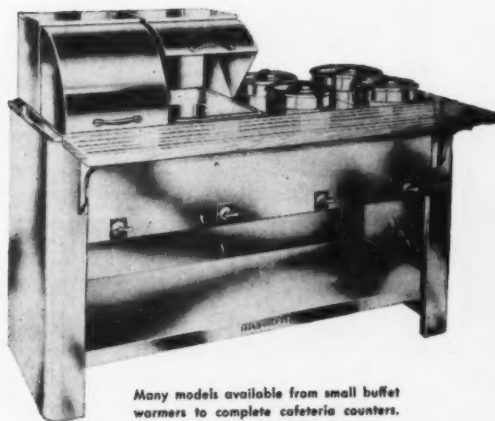
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• The Aatell and Jones Holiday Tray Appointment Club has been developed to permit hospitals and other institutions to buy tray items, such as place mats, doilies, napkins and similar items, either for individual holidays, in various holiday groups or for a year's holiday requirements. With this system hospitals can plan ahead, thus saving time and assuring having the items on hand when the holiday approaches. Shipping costs are also reduced for the group packaged shipments. The idea has been developed by Aatell and Jones, Dept. MH, 3360 Frankford Ave., Philadelphia 34, Pa. (Key No. 373)

• "Modern Sanitation Practices" is the title of a brochure on sanitation procedures in institutions released by Klenzade Products, Inc., Beloit, Wis. The maintenance products information is supplemented with illustrations, charts and diagrams. (Key No. 374)

• Catalog No. 433 gives detailed information on "Mitchell Commercial Fluorescent Lighting" for schools, hospitals, offices, and other institutions and commercial buildings. Published by Mitchell Mfg. Co., 2525 N. Clybourn Ave., Chicago 14, the catalog gives complete descriptive information on all models of Mitchell fluorescent lighting fixtures with illustrations and dimensional diagrams for each. (Key No. 375)

• The story of Labelon "write on it" tape is told in a new folder published by Labelon Tape Co., Inc., 450 Atlantic Ave., Rochester 9, N. Y. The pressure sensitive plastic tape for attaching to any smooth surface is resistant to dirt, oil, water and acids and is unaffected by temperature changes. Permanent marking on the tape can be done with a pencil, stylus or dry ball point pen. Data includes the colors and widths available, roll lengths and types of dispensers. (Key No. 376)

• The Story of Puritan Floor Seals is told in a new folder recently released by Puritan Chemical Co., 916 Ashby St., N. W., Atlanta, Ga. Each product described has an appropriate accompanying illustration. A how-to-do-it story on the back page illustrates and describes each step required to seal floors with these products. (Key No. 377)

• Bulletin No. 125 describes the new Barnstead Purity Meter, an electronic testing device for determining the purity of either distilled or demineralized water. The instrument gives readings directly in parts-per-million. A conversion table shows the equivalent resistance and conductance. Issued by the Barnstead Still & Sterilizer Co., 124 Lanesville Terrace, Forest Hills, Boston 31, Mass., the bulletin has a section devoted to the Barnstead Conductivity Diverter. Key. No. 378)

• A new folder on Despatch Commander Ovens has been released by Despatch Oven Co., 619 S. E. 8th St., Minneapolis 14, Minn. Entitled "Judge the Value Before You Buy," Bulletin No. 201 gives descriptive information and schedule of sizes and is illustrated by photographs of actual installations. (Key No. 379)

• Twenty-five years of experience in commercial refrigerator manufacturing are summed up in the new 50 page booklet, "25 Years of Food Merchandising—The Tale of Tyler," released by Tyler Fixture Corporation, Niles, Mich. The booklet tells the story of food merchandising with text and illustrations and mentions use of Tyler equipment in hospitals and other institutions. (Key No. 380)

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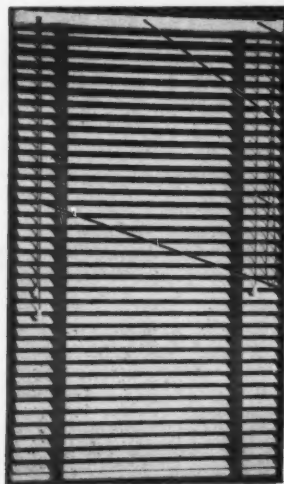
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• Two new booklets illustrating elevator door and entrance designs have been published by the Otis Elevator Company, 260 Eleventh Ave., New York 1. Eighteen basic decorative door designs, applied to both single-slide and center-opening or two-speed elevator doors are illustrated in "Ornamental Designs." "Special Entrance Designs" is the title of a folder showing 42 distinctive elevator entrance treatments. (Key No. 382)

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• Comprehensive information on the heavy duty synthetic detergent, **Arctic Syntex HD**, is given in a booklet published by the Technical Service Division of Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Co., 105 Hudson St., Jersey City 2, N. J. What Arctic Syntex HD is, how it is used for laundering and wet cleaning, with formulas for special washing problems, its use in rug and upholstery cleaning and special uses in automatic washers and for general cleaning are some of the subjects covered in this reference booklet. (Key No. 385)

• Three new booklets have been released by the Engineering Products Department of the RCA Victor Division, Radio Corporation of America, Camden, N. J. They cover features and applications of the **RCA 16 mm. sound film projects**, the **RCA 16 mm. magnetic recorder-projector** and a wide variety of **RCA sound products**. The brochure on the magnetic recorder-projector tells the story of magnetic stripping of films for personalized sound recording in the 16 mm. field. A 20 page catalog describes in detail more than 50 items of equipment in the company's sound products line. A 12 page pamphlet gives details on the **RCA "400" Senior and Junior 16 mm. sound film projectors and accessories**. (Key No. 386)

• How the **Waste King Pulverator** disposes of garbage easily, safely, economically and in a sanitary manner, is discussed in a folder on the subject issued by Given Manufacturing Co., 3301 E. Fruitland, Los Angeles 58, Calif. The folder is illustrated by line drawings and operational diagrams which supplement the descriptive text. (Key No. 387)

• A new brochure on **Binefeed Stokers** has been issued by Canton Stoker Corp., Andrew Place S. W., Canton, Ohio. In addition to general data on the advantages of stokers, the brochure has three blue prints showing the front view, side view and floor plan of an ideal boiler room layout. (Key No. 388)

• "Saunders Books for the Medical, Dental, Nursing and Allied Professions" are listed in the 84 page 1952 Catalog issued by W. B. Saunders Co., W. Washington Square, Philadelphia 5, Pa. The catalog is fully indexed and carries illustrations. (Key No. 389)

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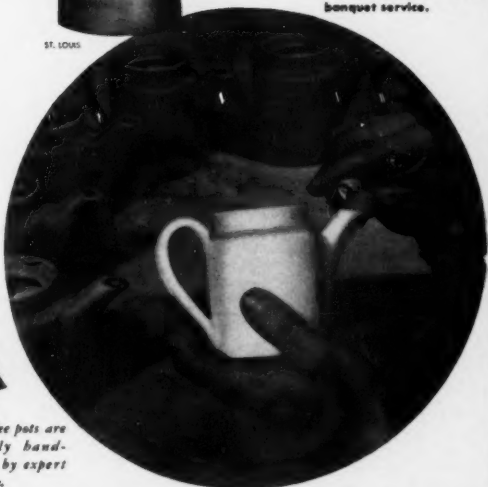
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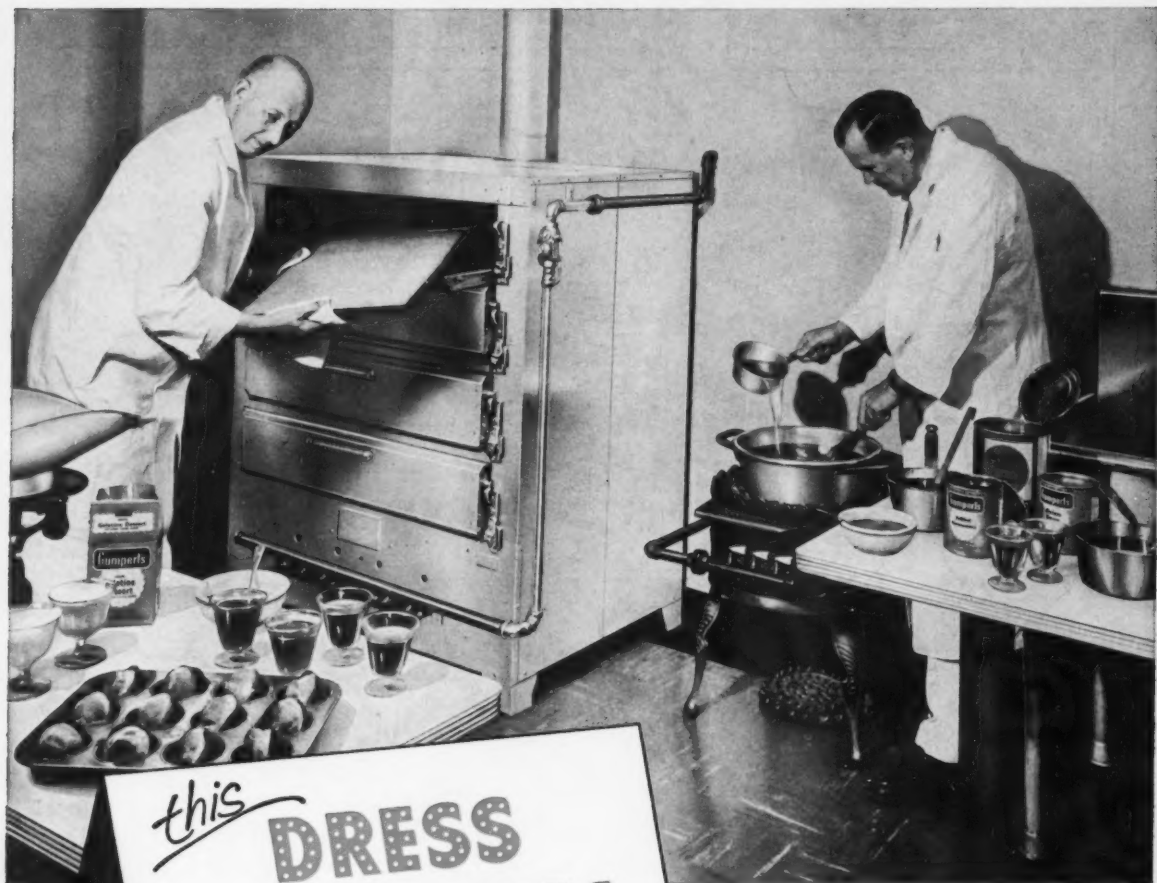
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